

## **Record of Business Meeting. March 8, 1913.**

**The annual Business meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs was held on Saturday, March 8 1913,** the Moderator Granville E. Foss in the chair. The meeting was called to order at one o'clock P.M. in accordance with the Warrant which was read to the meeting.

The meeting then proceeded to the choice of those officers not required to be chosen by ballot. — as follows

### **Article 1 Officers not chosen by ballot**

#### **Field Drivers**

Luther Watson

John D. Emerson

#### **Surveyors of Plastering**

Silas K. Nowell

Charles E. Russell

John W. Moss

Nahum P. Winn

#### **Surveyors of Lumber**

W. J. Buckley (sworn)

Charles Hutchins (sworn)

James H. Lyons (sworn)

Elliot P. Spooner (sworn)

Millard F. Emerson (sworn)

Charles I. Lyons (sworn)

#### **Surveyors of Wood & Bark**

Charles A. Stevens

William J. Buckley (sworn)

Millard F. Emerson (sworn)

Samuel Emerson

James Benjamin

#### **Pound Keepers**

Benjamin Nice

Joseph E. Buswell

### **Article 2 Selectmen's Report**

The Annual Report of the Selectmen having been distributed was accepted without debate.

### **Article 3 Appropriation**

Voted to consider the estimate for Tree Warden.

Mr. Castle moved to increase the appropriation to Seven Hundred Dollars, and the motion was carried.

It was then voted to make the appropriation recommended by the Selectmen, and amended as above.

The estimates as made and voted for are as follows:-

**For**

School teachers, janitors, fuel, supervision as recommended by the School Committee	\$46,100.00
School Repairs	3,000.00
School Supplies	4,250.00
School Contingencies	2,250.00
Night Schools	1,200.00
School physician	200.00
Opening Roads and sanding walks	2,500.00
Highways and Bridges	5,000.00
Macadam	10,000.00
Sewers	3,000.00
Walks	2,000.00
Highway Surveyor	1,500.00
Edgestone and flagging	1,000.00
Street Sprinkling	200.00
Town Teams	4,300.00
Health Department	1,200.00
Tree Warden Department	7,000.00
Suppression of moths	3,200.00
Fire Department	5,000.00
Police Department	7,800.00
Contingencies	3,000.00
Street lights	5,990.00
Pauper Department	3,000.00
Soldiers Relief	800.00
Meat Inspector	500.00
Military Aid	100.00
Sealer of Weights	300.00
Plumbing Inspector	400.00
Town Physician	600.00
Interest on Town debt	8,000.00
Collection of Taxes	1,500.00
Town Officers & Clerk	4,500.00
Water Bonds 1913	5,000.00
School house notes	<u>4,000.00</u>
Total	142,090.00

Article 4 **Tax Collector**

Voted – That taxes be collected the same as last year, and that on all taxes remaining unpaid November first, interest shall be paid from that date to the time of payment, at the rate of six per cent per annum.

Also voted, that the officer of Collector of Taxes be kept open one evening each week.

Voted – that the Town Treasurer be authorized to sign deeds of conveyance of land sold for taxes.

#### Article 5 **Temporary Loans**

Voted:- by a unanimous voted,- that the town treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Taxes of the municipal year beginning Jan. 1, 1913, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate One Hundred Thousand Dollars and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year.

#### Article 6 **Reports of Committees**

No reports of Committees, except Finance, were made, but Mr. E. J. Castle read a letter from Mr. E. F. Searles, stating that he had built the bridge on Broadway, and had returned the money voted to be paid him, - said money to be expended for improvements on the streets in the vicinity of Broadway.

A motion was made that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Searles for his liberality and public spirit, and the motion was carried by a unanimous rising vote with much enthusiasm.

The report of the Finance Committee was read by the Clerk Mr. Perley D. Smith, and was accepted.

#### Article 7 **Dog Taxes**

Voted, - to appropriate the money received from dog taxes to the support of the schools, in accordance with Chapter 102 Section 103 of the Revised Laws.

#### Article 8 **Fire Dept. Compensation**

Voted:- that the compensation of members of the Fire Department be the same as last year.

#### Article 9 **Memorial Day \$200.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars for decorating the graves of our soldiers and sailors on Memorial Day, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1913. Said money to be expended under the direction of William B. Greene, Post. No. 100. G.A.R.

#### Article 10 **Town Plan**

Voted:- to pass over Article 10 of the Warrant.

#### Article 11 **School House**

Under Article Eleven a motion was made to take from the table Articles 12, 13, 14, & 15 in the Warrant for the Annual Meeting in 1912. After some discussion the vote was called for and the motion was lost. Consideration of Article 11 was then proceeded with and Mr. Kershaw explained the views of the School Committee and presented a written statement of the estimated cost.

Voted that the town erect a brick school building on the lot owned by the Town on Ashford street, and appropriate thirty six thousand dollars for the building and four thousand dollars for furnishing and equipment.

Article 12 **School House Loan**

Voted to lay Article 12 on the table to give time for the preparation of a proper vote.

Article 13 **East St.**

Voted, - to close East St. from the junction of Lawrence St. and Washington place, running east 1312 feet more or less to the junction of the new street built by Edward F. Searles.

Article 14 **New street**

Voted,- to accept the new street running from Lawrence street to East street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 15 **Industrial School \$4000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted – to appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars to pay the City of Lawrence for tuition of pupils in the Industrial School.

Article 16 **Union St. \$1500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted to grade and macadamize Union St. and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars for the same; Fifteen Hundred Dollars to be taken from the appropriation made last year, and the balances to be raised by taxation the present year.

Article 17 **Howe St. Macadam \$2000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted,- to macadamize Howe street, from Tozier's corner to Currier Street, about two thousand five hundred feet, and appropriate Two thousand dollars for the same.

Article 18 **Pleasant Valley St. Repairs \$100**

Voted, - to repair Pleasant Valley street from the residence of John Schatz to the residence of David L. Knightly, and appropriate One Hundred Dollars for the same.

Article 19 **Fairmont St. Repairs**

Voted to grade Fairmont street, from Swan street, to Fair Oaks avenue, and appropriate Two Hundred Dollars for that purpose, - to be taken from the regular appropriation for Highways.

Article 20 **East St. Repairs \$300.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to grade and gravel East street between Prospect and Arthur streets and appropriate three hundred dollars for the same.

Article 21 **Currier St.**

Voted:- to pass over Article 21 of the Warrant.

Article 22 **No. Lowell Macadam \$2000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to macadamize North Lowell street, from Lowell street to Elmwood Cemetery, a distance of about three thousand feet, and appropriate Two Thousand Dollars for the same.

Article 23 **Crusher Boiler \$1000**

Voted:- to purchase a new crusher boiler and engine and appropriate One Thousand Dollars for that purpose.

Article 24 **Water Pipes Lowell St.**

Voted:- to extend the water pipes on Lowell street about eleven hundred feet, and appropriate One Thousand dollars for that purpose,- the cost to be taken from the earnings.

Article 25 **Water Pipes Hampstead St.**

Voted, to extend the water system from the present terminus at the corner of Hampstead and Maple streets, along Hampstead street to Grosvenor's corner, a distance of about four thousand five hundred feet, and appropriate \$4513.00 for the same. Said sum to be taken from the earning of the water department.

Article 26 **Water Pipes Oak St.**

Voted to extend the water system from Bates street to Oak street, then to Baremeadow street, a distance of about two thousand eight hundred and fifty feet, and appropriate twenty eight hundred and fifty dollars for the same. Said money to be taken from the earnings of the department.

Article 27 **Water Pipes Tyler St.**

Voted – to extend the water system from the corner of North Lowell and Tyler streets, through Tyler street to Mayfield avenue, a distance of about 950 feet, thence along Mayfield Avenue, to the residence of Fred Greenwood, a distance of about 175 feet, thus making a total extension of about 1120 feet, and appropriate eleven hundred dollars for the same, - Said sum

to be taken from the earnings of the system.

Article 28 **Sinking fund Water Dept.**

Voted, - to appropriate Three Thousand Dollars for the sinking fund of the Water Department,  
- said sum to be taken from the earnings of the Department.

Article 29 **Hydrants**

Voted, - to pass over Article 29 of the Warrant.

Article 30 **Water Surplus**

It was stated by the Water Board that there is a surplus of \$13,000.<sup>00</sup> standing to the credit of the water department, in the Town Treasury. It was voted that \$9450.<sup>00</sup> of said surplus be applied to the payment of the extensions voted, and that the balance be applied to the payment of the water debt.

Article 31 **Automobile**

Voted, - to pass over Article 31 of the Warrant.

Article 32 **Police – Elm St.**

Voted, - to pass over Article 32 of the Warrant

Article 33 **Police Signal System**

Voted:- that a committee be appointed to report at a future meeting.

Article 34 **Chief of Police**

Voted to pass over Article 34 of the Warrant.

Article 35 Voted:- to give the drivers of the **Methuen Fire Department** one day off in fourteen.

Article 36 **Pelham St.**

Voted:- to instruct the Selectmen to confer with the abutters on Pelham street, in regard to widening the sidewalk between Barker street and Railroad square.

Article 37 **Catch Basins \$300.00**

Voted,- to build three catch basins, and lay a drain pipe from Barker street to Pelham avenue, and appropriate three hundred dollars for that purpose.

**Article 38 Culverts Maple & Hampstead**

Voted:- to rebuild, repair and put in proper condition the culverts under Maple street and Hampstead street near the intersection of said streets so as to carry off the water of Hawkes brook and appropriate Two Hundred Dollars for that purpose.

At this point, the meeting voted to adjourn to Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup> at two o'clock P.M.

Adjourned

Jos. S. Howe Town Clerk.

**Record of Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1913.**

**An adjourned meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen was held at the Town House in said Town on Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup> 1913 at two o'clock P.M. according to adjournment on March 8<sup>th</sup> the Moderator, Granville E. Foss in the chair.**

**Article 39 School lot. \$1000.**

Voted: to buy a piece of land for a school house near Tozier's corner on Howe street, and appropriate one thousand dollars for that purpose.

**Article 40 Steel Vault \$450.00**

Voted:- to appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars to pay for the steel vault equipment required by the State.

**Article 41 Town Clerk & Treas. Salary**

That a Committee consisting of nine persons, be appointed to investigate and report to a future meeting what the salary of the Town Clerk and Treasurer ought to be.

**Article 42 Fire Alarm \$200.<sup>00</sup>**

A motion was made to pass over Article 42 of the Warrant, and the motion was lost, it was then,

Voted:- to extend the fire alarm system to the corner of Currier and Washington streets, place a fire alarm box there and appropriate therefor the sum of Two Hundred Dollars.

**Article 43 Hose \$500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to purchase hose for the Fire Department.

**Article 44 Sidewalk on Lowell St. \$1000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to put in edgestone and tar sidewalk on the eastside of Lowell street, from Grove street to Oakland Avenue, and appropriate One Thousand Dollars for the same; also that the proportionate part of the cost allowed by law be assessed on the abutters.

Article 45 **Sewer**

Voted to pass over Article 45 of the Warrant.

Article 46 **School and Home Garden Ass. \$200.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars for the Methuen School and Home Garden Association.

Article 47 **Playstead \$300.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars to maintain the playstead on Pelham street.

Article 48 **Cemetery Lots. – Price**

Voted:- that it is the sense of the meeting, that the price of lots in Elmwood Cemetery for Non Residents should be fifty per cent more than for Residents.

Article 49 **School Committee**

Voted:- that the school committee serve as the local board of trustees for vocational education.

Article 50 **Plumbing Inspector**

Voted:- to pay the Inspector of Plumbing and Sewer Connection a salary of Four Hundred Dollars. No special appropriation made.

Article 51 **By-Law Peddling fruit**

Voted to make the following a by-law of the Town,  
No person or person shall go from house to house selling or offering for sale, or peddling within the town limits, any fruit or vegetables without a written license from the Board of Selectmen, and for each license the fee shall be two dollars. Each license shall continue in force until the first day of May next following, unless sooner revoked. Any person offending against any part of this by-law shall forfeit and pay for each offence a fine of not less than two dollars or more than twenty.

Article 52 **Jackson & Howe Sts.**

Voted:- to instruct the Selectmen to petition the State Highway Commissioners to accept Jackson street and a part of Howe street as a State Highway.



**Post Office.**

At this point, Mr. Rushton asked permission to address the town concerning the Post Office and desirability of having in Methuen an independent office.

Voted:- that Congressman Rogers be asked to address the citizens of Methuen on that subject.

**Article 53 School Rooms Use of.**

Voted that the town accept the provisions of Chapter 320 granting the temporary use of rooms or halls in school buildings upon such terms and conditions and for such public and educational purposes as the school committee may deem wise.

**Article 54 Elmwood Cemetery \$300.**

Voted:-  
to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars to carry on the work at Elmwood Cemetery.

**Article 55 Olive St.**

Voted to accept Olive Street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 56 Voted: - that Articles 56, 57, 58, & 59 be referred to Selectmen for investigation concerning  
57,58 the sewerage of said streets  
&59

**Article 60 Merrimack St. \$500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate Five Hundred Dollars to repair Merrimack street near the Lawrence line, as decreed by the County Commissioners.

**Article 61 Oakland Ave.**

Voted:- to accept 520 feet extension on Oakland Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen.

**Article 62 Griffin St.**

Voted:- to accept Griffin street as laid out by the Selectmen.

**Article 63 Giles St.**

Voted to pass over Article 63 of the Warrant.

**Article 64 Clayton Ave.**

Voted to pass over Article 64 of the Warrant.

**Article 65 Street Light \$17.50**

Voted:- to install a light on Elm street and appropriate Seventeen &  $\frac{50}{100}$  Dollars thereof.

**Article 66 Street Light \$17.50**

Voted:- to install a street light at the corner of Edgewood Avenue and School street and appropriate Seventeen &  $\frac{50}{100}$  dollars therefor.

Voted that the Selectmen be instructed to petition the County Commissioners to lay out Clayton Avenue.

**Article 67 Street Light \$17.50**

Voted:- to appropriate Seventeen &  $\frac{50}{100}$  Dollars to maintain a street light on Oakland Avenue, already installed and paid for by the citizens on the street.

**Article 68 Street Light \$17.50**

Voted:- to install a street light on Pelham street, between the house of B. E. Hill and Maurice Flahive, and appropriate Seventeen &  $\frac{50}{100}$  Dollars therefor.

**Article 69 \$122.50**

70,71,72,

73,74&75 Voted:- to refer Articles 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 & 75 to the Selectmen with full power, and also voted to appropriate One Hundred and twenty two &  $\frac{50}{100}$  Dollars to carry out the purpose of said Articles.

**Article 12 School House Loan.**

Voted:- to take Article 12 from the table.

Voted by a unanimous vote:- that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the school house voted to be built on the lot owned by the Town on Ashford street, the Town Treasurer is hereby directed to issue and sell notes or bonds of the Town, coupon in form, to the amount of thirty six thousand dollars bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent and payable in annual instalments on two thousand dollars each beginning one year from the date of said notes or bonds and continuing for eighteen successive years, and the proceeds of said notes or bonds are hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid. Also

Voted:- by unanimous vote, that for the purpose of raising the money necessary to pay for the furnishing and equipment of said school house, the Town Treasurer is hereby directed to issue and sell notes or bonds of the Town, coupon in form, to the amount of four thousand dollars, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent and payable in annual instalments of one thousand dollars each, beginning one year from the date of said notes or bonds, and continuing for four successive years, and the proceeds of said notes or bonds are hereby appropriated for the purpose of the furnishing and equipment of said

school house.

A motion was made to reconsider the action taken on Article 21. – Motion refused – Yes-37 No-84,

Voted: that the School Committee be a Committee to purchase the school lot on Howe Street. A motion was made that the work on the new school house be done by local contractors, The motion was lost by a vote of 15-Yes to 94-No.

The Moderator appointed Messrs Frederick A. Russell and Charles E. Collins to be joined to the School Committee for building the New School house, also Charles H. Oliphant and Charles Hutchins a committee to investigate and report on a Police Signal system. No other business appearing, the meeting adjourned sine die at 4-30 P.M.

Attest, Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

## **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

To George Bunting one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen.

### **Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in primaries, to meet in the various polling places, namely; at the town hall in voting precinct one, in the basement of the Arlington school house in voting precinct two, and the polling booth on Swan street in voting precinct three, on Tuesday, the twenty third day of September 1913, at twelve o'clock noon, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary officers for the nomination of Candidates of political parties for the following offices; - Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Councillor in the fifth district, two Representatives in the General Court in the fifth Essex District, County Commissioner in Essex County, two Associate Commissioners in Essex County, District Attorney, Register of Probate and Insolvency in Essex County. And for the Election of the following officers; District member of the State Committee for each political party for the fifth Senatorial District, members of the Democratic town Committee; members of the Republican committee; members of the Progressive town Committee and delegates to State Conventions of Political parties.

All the above candidates and officers to be voted for upon one ballot. The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 8 o'clock P.M. And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof eight days at least before the time and place of said meeting as directed by vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, A.D. 1913.

(Seal)

Henry N. Hall } Selectmen  
Samuel Rushton } of Methuen

**Methuen, Sept. 15, 1913**                      –                      **Commonwealth of Massachusetts – Essex SS**

By virtue of the within precept I have served the above Warrant in accordance with Section Two of the By-Laws of said Town of Methuen by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant, at the Town House in Precinct One, and at the corner of Chase St. and Broadway in Precinct Two, and at Polling Booth Swan St. in Precinct Three, on Monday the fifteenth day of September instant, being eight days before the day of said meeting. And I have also caused the same to be printed in the Methuen Transcript once a week for two successive weeks, the last publication being on Friday the nineteenth of September instant, being three days before the day of said meeting.

George Bunting – Constable of Methuen

A true copy of Warrant and return.

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

### **Record of Primaries – Sept. 23, 1913**

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, meetings were held in the designated polling places on Tuesday September twenty third for the purpose named, and the following is the result of the balloting as transmitted to me by the election officers.

### **Republican Candidates**

	<b>Pre.1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>For Governor</b>				
Everett C. Benton, 75 Oakley Road, Belmont	119	82	51	252
Augustus P. Gardner, Main St., Hamilton	81	26	24	131
Blank	16	10	6	32
David Walsh		1		1
<b>For Lieut. Governor</b>				
August H. Goetting, 767 State St., Springfield	169	89	69	327
Blank	47	30	12	89
<b>Secretary</b>				
William S. Kinney, 52 Westland Avenue, Boston	158	84	69	311
Blank	58	35	12	105

**Treasurer**

Charles L. Burrill, 50 Beacon St., Boston	139	75	57	270
Maurice Kane, 22 Fullerton Avenue, Whitman	46	14	10	70
Blank	31	31	14	76

**Auditor**

John E. White, Greenwood Avenue, Tisbury	163	82	66	311
Blank	53	39	15	105

**Attorney General**

James M. Swift, 294 French St., Fall River	168	80	66	314
Blank	48	39	15	102

**Councillor Fifth District**

Edward G. Frothingham, 35 Arlington St., Haverhill	108	64	42	214
Frederick H. Tarr, 55 Broadway, Rockport	13	3	4	20
James H. Walker, 5 Albion St., Amesbury		57	30	20
Blank		38	22	15

**Senator Fifth Essex District**

James R. Tetler – 300 Ames St., Lawrence	169	94	64	327
Blank	47	23	17	87
T. Hardy	1			1
J. W. Riley	1			1

**Representatives in General Court**

Arthur Bower, 473 High St., Lawrence	51	56	29	136
Alfred J. Burckel, 30 Milford St., Lawrence	43	23	39	105
George G. Frederick, 36 Park St., Methuen	97	35	34	166
George McLane, 31 Arlington St., Lawrence	57	26	10	93
William H. Russell, 154 Oakland Ave. Methuen	105	57	32	194
Blank	78	41	18	137
Geo. Hart	1			1

**County Commissioner**

John M. Grosvenor Jr., 73 Monument Avenue	157	75	65	296
Blank	59	45	16	120

**Associate Commissioners**

John W. Lovett, 8 Colon St., Beverly	135	64	58	257
Harold Pedor	1			1
A. Cuddy		1		1
Blank	296	173	104	573

#### **District Attorney – Eastern District**

Henry C. Attwill, 59 Ocean Avenue, Lynn	157	80	65	302
Blank	58	39	16	113
J. J. Burke	1			1

#### **Register of Probate and Insolvency**

Horace H. Atherton Jr., 53 Lincoln Avenue, Saugus	153	73	63	289
Blank	63	46	18	127

#### **State Committee – Sixth Essex**

George Bunting, 11 Annis St., Methuen	144	78	69	261
Blank	72	41	12	125

### **Democratic Party Candidates**

#### **For Governor**

David I. Walsh, 251 Main St., Fitchburg	26	8	13	47
Blank	8	3	3	14

#### **Lieut. Governor**

Edward P. Barry, 59 Thomas Park, Boston	18	3	12	33
Richard H. Long, Winter St., Framingham	8	5	2	15
Blank	8	3	2	13

#### **Secretary**

Frank J. Donahue, 106 Glenway St., Boston	24	6	13	43
Blank	10	5	3	18

#### **Treasurer**

Frederick W. Mansfield, 91 Geneva Avenue, Boston	19	5	14	38
Joseph L. P. St. Coeur, 113 Antrim St., Cambridge	8	1		9
Blank	8	5	2	14

#### **Auditor**

Frank H. Pope, 4 Blossom St., Leominster	22	7	14	43
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Blank	12	4	2	18
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### **Attorney General**

Thomas J. Boynton, 60 Summer St., Everett	22	7	14	43
Blank	12	4	2	18

### **Councillor Fifth District**

Edward J. Carney, 21 Federal St., Salem	6	2	7	15
James E. Donoghue, 445 Essex St., Lawrence	20	3	7	30
Blank	8	6	2	16

### **Senator Fifth District**

William R. Adams, 103 Trenton St., Lawrence	2	0	4	6
Dennis H. Finn, 86 Cross St., Lawrence	5	0	3	8
John P. S. Mahoney, 5 Chester St., Lawrence	13	1	3	17
John C. Sanborn, 45 East Haverhill St., Lawrence	13	10	6	29
Blank	1			1

### **Representatives in General Court**

Michael H. Collopy, 76 Chestnut St., Lawrence	21	4	12	37
John E. Cuddy, Jr., 26 Platt St., Lawrence	16	2	5	23
John J. Higgins, 16 Berkeley St., Lawrence	5	4	3	12
Frederick W. Schlapp, 5 Jordan Ave., Lawrence	13	8	7	28
Blank	13	4	5	22

### **County Commissioner**

John R. Wallace, 20 Ontario St., Lynn	19	7	13	39
Samuel Smith	1			1
Blank	14	4	3	21

### **Associate Commissioners**

Blank	68	22	32	122
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### **District Attorney Eastern District**

Michael A. Sullivan, 81 Saunders St., Lawrence	24	6	13	43
Blank	10	5	3	18

### **Register of Probate and Insolvency**

Arthur Bogue, 93 Green St., Lynn	17	7	12	36
Blank	17	4	4	25

**State Committee**

Paul Hannagan, 192 Arlington St., Lawrence	20	8	6	34
John O'Brien, 26 Cross St., Lawrence	9	2	8	19
Blank	5	1	2	8

**Progressive Party Candidates****For Governor**

Charles Sumner Bird, Walpole	64	14	16	96
Blank	5	3	6	14

**Lieutenant Governor**

Daniel Cosgrove, 492 Gorham St., Lowell	59	14	16	89
Blank	10	3	6	19

**Secretary**

Russell A. Wood, 1691 Mass. Ave. Cambridge	59	13	13	85
Blank	10	4	9	23

**Treasurer**

Warren R. Keith, 310 Copeland St., Brockton	55	10	12	77
Blank	14	7	10	31

**Auditor**

Octave A. La Riviere, 168 Main St., Springfield	55	11	13	79
Blank	14	6	9	29

**Attorney General**

H. Huestis Newton, 92 Waverly Street, Everett	52	13	13	78
Blank	17	4	9	30

**Councillor Fifth District**

G. Quidley	4			4
J. R. Berwick	2			2
W. Brady	1			1
Blank	62	17	22	101

**Senator Fifth Essex**

J. R. Tetler	6			6
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James Riley	38	4	7	49
Leo Spottiswood	1			1
Blank	24	13	15	52

### **Representatives in General Court**

James Bolton, 112 Oakland Ave., Methuen	37	7	5	49
George G. Frederick, 36 Park St., Methuen	35	4	8	47
George F. Hart, 121 Hampshire Roads, Methuen	39	10	17	66
J. W. Riley	1			1
Blank	26	13	13	52

### **County Commissioners**

D. J. Murphy	1			1
Wm. Brady	1			1
J. R. Berwick	1			1
Blank	66	17	22	105

### **Associate Commissioners**

Joseph Tennant	1			1
Blank	137	34	44	215

### **District Attorney**

Edward H. Savary, 94 Main St., Groveland	48	6	7	61
Blank	21	11	15	47

### **Register of Probate & Insolvency**

Dominic P. Curran, 3 Lawrence St., Haverhill	47	5	12	64
Blank	22	12	10	44

### **State Committee – Fifth Essex**

Thomas Dow	5			5
J. R. Berwick	2			2
E. G. Holt	1			1
Blank	61	17	22	100

A true abstract from the returns of Precinct Officers.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe, Town Clerk

## **Warrant for Town Meeting and Special Election.**

**October 11<sup>th</sup>, 1913 – File 14 No. 22**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-** To George Bunting, one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen in said County.

**Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet and assemble at the designated polling place in precinct one, namely, the Town Hall, on Saturday the eleventh day of October next, at twelve o'clock noon, to bring in to the election officers their votes for one Selectman to serve the unexpired term of the late Millard F. Emerson and also one Assessor to fill the unexpired term of the late Millard F. Emerson.

The polls may be closed at five o'clock P.M. Also to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Saturday the eleventh day of October next, at five o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles:-

- Article 1      To hear and take action on the report of the special commission appointed to adjust the salary of the Town Clerk and Treasurer
- Article 2      By request of Nathan J. Morse and others, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars for edgestones.
- Article 3      By request of Peter F. Graham and others, to see if the Town will vote to install a sewer system on Pelham avenue, and make an appropriation for the same.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen this twenty seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred thirteen.

(seal)

Henry N. Hall    Selectmen  
Samuel Rushton of Methuen

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

**Oct. 4, 1913**

By virtue of the within precept I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the by laws of the Town of Methuen by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the Town House in Precinct One, and at the corner of Chase St. and Broadway in Precinct Two, and at the polling Booth on Swan St. in Precinct Three on Friday the third day of October instant being eight days before the day of said meeting, and I have also caused the same to be printed in the Methuen Transcript once a week for two successive weeks the last publication being on Friday the tenth day of October next being one day before the day of said meeting.

George Bunting – Constable of Methuen

A true copy – Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Record of Special Election and Town Meeting  
October Eleventh 1913.**

**Pursuant to Warrant No. 22 File fourteen the qualified voters of the Town of Methuen assembled at the Town Hall on Saturday October eleventh 1913 at twelve o'clock noon** to give in their ballots for one Selectman and one Assessor to fill the unexpired term in those offices of Millard F. Emerson, deceased.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator Granville E. Foss and the Warrant was read by the Clerk.

The polls were then opened, the tellers were sworn in and the ballots proceeded. The tellers were the following persons,

Frank Jordan, Harold S. Pedler, Alfred Mannifield, Frank A. Gordon, John J. Sullivan, Leon Spottiswood, John D. Emerson and Aaron H. Clark

The polls were closed at fifteen minutes past five and the following was the result of the balloting.

**The whole number of ballots was Eleven Hundred fifty three 1153**

**For Selectman & Overseer of the Poor**

James H. Lyons 244 Oakland Ave.	Four Hundred Ninety four	494
Edward Riley 243 Merrimack St.	Two Hundred and seven	207
Frank A. Rowell 1 Ingalls Ct.	One hundred and ten	110
David D. Woodbury 265 Broadway	Three Hundred and six	326
Blank	Sixteen	16

**For Assessor of Taxes**

Samuel Joy 176 Tyler St.	Five Hundred and Sixty	560
David D. Woodbury 265 Broadway	Five Hundred and Six	506
James H. Lyons	One	1
Edward Riley	One	1
Blank	Eighty five	85

And James H. Lyons was declared elected Selectmen, and was sworn.

Samuel Joy was declared elected Assessor, - and was sworn.

At fifteen minutes past five, the meeting for business was opened.

Article 1 **Report of Committee on Salary Treas. & Town Clerk**

The Finance Committee reported on the Articles in the Warrant and recommended passing over articles Two and Three.

The following is the report of the Committee on salary of Treas. and Town Clerk.

Under Article 41 of the Warrant your Committee recommended that for the year 1913 the salary of the Town Clerk be \$100.<sup>00</sup> Town Treasurer \$900.<sup>00</sup> and that \$500.<sup>00</sup> be allowed for clerical assistance. The collection of the Water Rates is understood to be a part of the duties of the Town Treasurer.

The above was a unanimous vote of your Committee, James H. Lyons, Alfred Sagar, Chas M. Sawyer, Chas W. Mann, George W. Tenney, Josiah D. Burley, Frederick A. Hoyle, Peter H. Graham, John D. Emerson.

The report of the Committee was accepted and adopted and fifteen hundred dollars appropriated therefor.

Article 2 **Edgestone**

Voted to pass over Article Two of the Warrant.

Article 3 **Sewer Pelham Ave.**

A motion to pass over Article Three was lost.

It was then voted to construct a sewer in Pelham Avenue and to appropriate one thousand dollars for that purpose, and that the money be expended under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

A motion that Twenty Five Hundred Dollars be taken from the excise tax and expended on Jackson St. Extension and Howe St. was ruled out of order by the Moderator.

No other business appearing the meeting adjourned.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe, Town Clerk

**Warrant for State Election, Nov. 4, 1913.**  
**File 14, No. 23**

## **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-** To George Bunting one of the Constables in the Town of Methuen, in said County: - **Greeting.**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified by law to vote in the election of State, District, and County officers, to meet and assemble at the designated polling places in Precincts one, two and three namely; the town hall in voting precinct one, the basement of the Arlington school house on Merrill street in voting precinct two, and the polling booth on Swan street in voting precinct three, on Tuesday the fourth day of November next at five forty five o'clock in the forenoon, to bring in to the election officers their votes for, Governor, Lieut. Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Councillor, Senator, Representative in the General Court, County Commissioner, two Associate Commissioners, District Attorney, Register of Probate and Insolvency, and their votes on the following questions –

Amendment to the Constitution making women eligible to appointment as notaries Public (Chapter 28 Resolves of 1913)

Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the referendum (Chapter 116 Resolves of 1913)

Acceptance of Chapter 807, Acts of 1913, entitled An act to provide for compensating certain public employees for injuries sustained in the course of their employment. All to be voted for on one ballot.

The polls may be closed at four o'clock P.M.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen this twenty first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Samuel Rushton        } Selectmen  
James H. Lyons        } of Methuen

## **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

**Methuen, Oct. 24, 1913**

By virtue of the within precept I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the By-Laws of the said Town of Methuen by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the Town House in Voting Precinct One, at the corner of Chase St. and Broadway in Voting Precinct Two, and at the Polling Booth in Voting Precinct Three on Friday the twenty fourth day of October instant being twelve days before the day of said meeting.

George Bunting  
Constable of Methuen

## Record of State Election, Nov. 4, 1913

**At meetings of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts held in the respective Precincts in said Town pursuant to Warrant No. 23 File 14 on Tuesday November fourth 1913,** the qualified voters of said Town brought in their written votes for the several officers to be balloted for, and the same were received, sorted, counted, declared and registered in open Precinct meetings, according to law, as appears by the certified returns from said Precincts, transmitted to the Town Clerk, and examined by the Selectmen and Town Clerk and according to said returns the following is the result of the election held as foresaid.

	Pre. 1	Pre. 2	Pre. 3	Total
<b>The whole number of ballots cast</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>1579</b>
<b>For Governor</b>				
Charles Sumner Bird of Walpole - Progressive	356	182	121	659
Alfred H. Evans of Northampton - Prohibition	6	3	1	10
Eugene N. Foss of Boston - Independent	31	8	12	51
Augustus P. Gardner of Hamilton - Republican	285	112	92	490
Arthur E. Reimer of Boston – Socialist Labor	3	2	10	15
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg – Democratic	134	51	28	213
George H. Wrenn of Springfield – Socialist	13	25	49	87
Blank	10	4	8	22
<b>For Lieutenant Governor</b>				
Edward P. Barry of Boston – Democratic	131	45	27	203
Daniel Cosgrove of Lowell – Progressive	301	153	110	564
August H. Goetting of Springfield – Repub.	328	127	100	555
Albert Z. Orem of Sharon – Prohibition	13	6	3	22
Peter O'Rourke of Medford – Socialist Labor	4	2	6	12
George E. Roewer Jr. of Boston – Socialist	23	32	58	113
Blank	38	22	18	78
<b>For Secretary</b>				
Frank J. Donahue of Boston	140	51	27	220
William S. Kinney of Boston	304	125	88	517
John A. Nicholls of Boston	21	10	12	43
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody	3	3	10	16
Ella M. Roberts of Springfield	25	37	57	119
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge	293	130	103	526
Blank	52	31	23	106

**For Treasurer**

Charles L. Burrill of Boston	325	129	106	560
Charles E. Fenner of Worcester	26	34	60	120
Thomas A. Frissell of Hinsdale	15	10	2	27
Warren R. Keith of Brockton	265	121	97	483
Frederick W. Mansfield of Boston	125	51	25	201
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford	5	4	9	18
Blank	82	42	31	155

**For Auditor**

Herbert S. Brown of Greenfield	27	12	10	49
David Craig of Milford	8	4	3	15
Octave A. La Riviere	238	113	93	444
Samuel P. Levenberg of Boston	27	37	60	124
Frank H. Pope of Leominster	121	43	21	185
John E. White of Tisbury	335	136	104	575
Blank	82	42	31	155

**For Attorney General**

Thomas J. Boynton of Everett	124	44	26	194
Freeman T. Crommett of Chelsea	16	7	2	25
John McCarty of Abington	24	35	58	117
H. Huestis Newton of Everett	244	113	91	448
Ingvar Paulsen of Boston	8	5	6	19
James M. Swift of Fall River	355	151	111	617
Blank	67	32	28	127

**Councillor – Fifth District**

James E. Donoghue of Lawrence	142	50	30	222
Edward G. Frothingham of Haverhill	355	151	106	612
Nathan Huntington of Merrimac	31	38	65	134
Charles P. Findley of Beverly	230	106	87	423
Blank	80	42	34	156

**Senator – Fifth Essex District**

John P. S. Mahoney of Lawrence	117	51	42	210
Joseph A. Murphy of Lawrence	21	32	57	110
James W. Riley of Methuen	170	87	85	342
James R. Tetler of Lawrence	495	203	126	824
Blank	35	14	12	61

**For Representatives in General Court**

James Bolton of Methuen	238	93	61	392
Arthur Bower of Lawrence	308	194	125	627
Alfred J. Burckel of Lawrence	230	107	132	469
Michael H. Collopy of Lawrence	86	31	24	141
John E. Cuddy Jr. of Lawrence	154	46	40	240
George F. Hart of Methuen	363	136	82	581
Carl Vogt of Methuen	34	35	60	129
John Witzgall Jr. of Lawrence	16	16	46	78
Perley D. Smith			1	1
Blank	247	116	73	436

#### **For County Commissioner**

John M. Grosvenor Jr. of Swampscott	358	147	96	601
Daniel J. Murphy Jr. of Lawrence	291	128	106	525
James N. Potter of Beverly	29	36	65	130
John R. Wallace of Lynn	84	34	20	138
Blank	76	42	35	153

#### **For Associate Commissioners**

Thomas A. Eastman of Beverly	332	165	106	603
Charles Leighton of Lynn	304	107	95	506
John W. Lovett of Beverly	371	164	118	653
James C. McRae of Peabody	37	38	71	146
James F. Putnam of Danvers	37	28	53	118
James Delaney	1			1
Blank	594	272	201	1067

#### **For District Attorney – Eastern District**

Henry C. Attwill of Lynn	348	161	95	604
William R. Henry of Lynn	24	42	65	131
Edward H. Savary of Groveland	195	83	68	346
Michael A. Sullivan of Lawrence	217	75	65	359
Blank	52	26	29	107

#### **For Register of Probate and Insolvency**

Horace H. Atherton Jr. of Saugus	372	157	112	641
Arthur Bogue of Lynn	113	41	23	117
Dominic P. Curran of Haverhill	116	93	83	402
Arthur L. Hathorne of Beverly	30	41	64	135
Blank	97	55	40	192

**“Shall the proposed Amendment to the Constitution making women eligible to appointment as notaries public be approved and ratified?”**



Yes	299	158	104	561
No	285	114	126	525
Blank	254	115	92	461

**“Shall the proposed Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the Referendum be approved and ratified?”**

Yes	368	129	131	698
No	129	33	55	215
Blank	343	155	136	634

**“Shall Chapter 807 of the Acts of nineteen hundred and thirteen, being an act to provide for compensating laborers workmen and mechanics for injuries sustained in public employment, and to exempt from legal liability counties and municipal Corporations which pay such compensation be accepted by the Inhabitants of this County?”**

Yes	412	192	166	770
No	137	49	50	236
Blank	289	146	106	541

Attest, Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

## **Record of Meeting of City and Town Clerks, Nov. 14, 1913**

**City of Lawrence  
City Clerk’s Office Nov. 14, 1913.**

At a meeting of the City Clerk of Lawrence and the Town Clerk of Methuen, said Town and wards One and Two of the said City of Lawrence, forming the Fifth Essex Representative District, held at noon this day in accordance with the provisions of Section 257 Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws, upon comparing the transcript of the returns, the following appears as the result of the balloting for Representatives in the General Court for said District at meetings held Nov. 4, 1913.

	<b>Ward 1</b>			<b>Ward 2</b>			<b>Methuen</b>			
	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Pre. 4</b>	<b>Pre. 5</b>	<b>Pre. 6</b>	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
James Bolton of Methuen	64	21	49	37	24	64	238	93	61	651
Arthur Bower of Lawrence	241	57	216	89	125	170	308	194	125	1525
Alfred J. Burckel of Lawrence	227	82	248	82	147	160	230	107	132	1415
Michael H. Collopy of Law.	110	125	123	148	253	270	86	31	24	1170
John E. Cuddy Jr. Lawrence	179	177	188	173	272	272	154	46	40	1501

George F. Hart of Methuen	67	47	65	40	65	68	363	136	82	933
Carl Vogt of Methuen	91	13	84	13	25	34	34	35	60	389
John Witzgall Jr. of Lawrence	88	17	69	8	22	31	16	16	46	313
Perley D. Smith									1	1
Blank	121	95	122	106	139	99	247	116	73	1118
Whole number of ballots										4508

In accordance with the foregoing returns certificates of election were this day issued to the two person having the highest number of votes for Representatives in the General Court for the Fifth Essex District, to wit,

Arthur Bower of Lawrence  
and  
John E. Cuddy Jr. of Lawrence

Attest, Edward J. Wade – City Clerk of Lawrence  
Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk of Methuen

**Warrant for Annual Town Meeting, March, 1914.**  
**File 14, No. 24**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

To George Bunting, one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen, in said County:

**Greeting:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the designated polling places in precincts one, two and three, namely, - the Town Hall in voting precinct one, the basement of the Arlington School in voting precinct two, and the polling booth on Swan street in voting precinct three on Monday, the second day of March next, at 5.45 o'clock in the forenoon, to bring in to the election officers their votes for Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Selectmen, Overseers of the poor, one Assessor to serve three years in the place of Henry N. Hall, Highway Surveyor, one School Committeeman to serve for three years, one Water Commissioner to serve three years, one Trustee of Nevins Memorial, one Tree Warden, one Cemetery Commissioner to serve three years, one Moderator to serve one year, one Auditor, Constables, Fence Viewers, and "Yes" or "No" in answer to the Questions,

"Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town?"

"Shall chapter 487 of the acts of 1913, being an act relative to the promotion of call fireman in the fire department of cities and towns, be accepted?"

"Shall chapter 807 of the acts of 1913, being an act to provide for compensating laborers, workmen, and mechanics for injuries sustained in public employment, and to exempt from legal liability counties and municipal corporations which pay such compensation, be accepted by the inhabitants of this town?"

All to be voted for on one ballot. The polls may be closed at 4 o'clock P.M.

Also to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on Saturday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March next, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

- Article 1 To elect all Town officers not required to be chosen by ballot.
- Article 2 To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and act thereon.
- Article 3 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.
- Article 4 To determine the manner for collecting taxes for the ensuing year and act thereon as the Town may think proper.
- Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.
- Article 6 To hear the reports of committees and act thereon.
- Article 7 To determine the manner of appropriating the amount received from dog taxes in accordance with Chapter 102, section 163, of the Revised Laws.
- Article 8 To determine what compensation the Town will grant the members of the fire department for their services for the ensuing year.
- Article 9 By request of Col. William B. Greene Post No. 100, G. A. R., to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of (\$200) two hundred dollars for decorating the graves of our soldiers and sailors on Memorial Day, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1914. Said money to be expended under the direction of said Post.
- Article 10 To see if the Town will petition the Director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of its accounts, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 598, Acts of 1910, and amendments thereof.
- Article 11 By request of Carl Koch and others to see if the Town will vote to continue Dewey street from Arthur street to Oak street, and take by eminent domain what land is required for the same.
- Article 12 By request of Alfred F. Wolf and others to see if the Town will vote to build a sidewalk on East street from the corner of Arthur street to Ashford street and appropriate one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) for the same.
- Article 13 By request of Richard Leach and others to see if the Town will vote to macadamize Chelmsford street, from Centre street to Lawrence street, and appropriate two thousand dollars for the same.

- Article 14 By request of James W. Gibson and others to see if the Town will vote to construct twenty-one hundred feet of sewer, starting at the junction of Pelham and Barker streets, thence westerly on Mystic street or private way through the property of John S. Hill to School street, thence through School street to a point about 300 feet on Edgewood avenue and appropriate the sum of twenty-one hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 15 By request of Robert W. Dow and others to see if the town will vote to repair Pelham street from Railroad square to Barker street and appropriate three thousand dollars for the same.
- Article 16 By request of James W. Calnan and others to see if the Town will vote to construct a cinder sidewalk from Merrimac street to the Elizabeth Bradley school on Booth road, a distance of about 400 feet, and appropriate one hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 17 By request of George H. Richardson and others to see if the Town will vote to grade and macadamize Currier street from Howe street to Washington street and appropriate the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 18 By request of Frank Dietzel and others to see if the Town will vote to repair Baremeadow street and put in new culverts from the driveway of Amos Ball northerly a distance of about 1000 feet and appropriate six hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 19 By request of Amos Hawkins and others to see if the Town will vote to macadamize North Lowell street from Tyler street to the west gate of Elmwood cemetery, a distance of 2000 feet, and place a cement covering over "Bartlett Brook" and appropriate three thousand dollars for the same.
- Article 20 By request of Frank Hall and others to see if the Town will grant the employees of the street department 25 cents per day in addition to the amount already paid per day.
- Article 21 By request of Charles Hutchins and others to see if the Town will vote to build a sidewalk on Pelham street from Railroad square to Barker street and appropriate six hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 22 By request of Robert W. Dow and others to see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the county commissioners to relocate Railroad street from Oakland avenue to the Lawrence line.
- Article 23 By request of Sam Robinson and others to see if the Town will vote to build a sidewalk on Albion street from Prospect street to Milk street and appropriate two hundred dollars for same.
- Article 24 By request of Joseph M. Emsley and others to see if the Town will vote to grade Ashland avenue and appropriate two hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 25 By request of Eben Hill and others to see if the town will vote to repair the macadam on Milk street between Baremeadow and Pleasant Valley streets and appropriate eight hundred dollars for the same.

- Article 26 By request of David L. Knightly and others to see if the Town will vote to macadamize Pleasant Valley street from Merrimac street to Richard Batty's farm and appropriate twenty-five hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 27 By request of Carl Bleicher and others to see if the Town will vote to finish grading Vermont street from Fair Oaks avenue to East street and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 28 By request of Ernest A. Matthes and others to see if the Town will vote to lay a new culvert at the corner of East street and Arthur street and appropriate one hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 29 By request of Guy W. Currier and others to see if the Town will vote to re-surface Hampstead street between Tozier's corner and Grosvenor's corner and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 30 By request of the Playstead commission to see if the Town will vote to maintain the Playstead, also the various plots of land formerly taken care of by the Village Improvement society and appropriate three hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 31 By request of the Playstead commission to see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate the providing of a swimming pool in connection with the playstead.
- Article 32 By request of the School Committee to see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to purchase or seize land at or near Tozier's corner for school purposes and make an appropriation for the purpose of the same.
- Article 33 By request of the School Committee, to see if the Town will vote to erect a four-room school building in the vicinity of Tozier's corner and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 34 By request of the School Committee, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to purchase or seize land near the present school in Pleasant Valley for school purposes and make an appropriation for the purchase of the same.
- Article 35 By request of the School Committee, to see if the Town will vote to erect a four-room school building in Pleasant Valley and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 36 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to purchase or seize land near the present school at Grosvenor's corner for school purposes and make an appropriation for the purpose of the same.
- Article 37 By request of the School Committee, to see if the Town will vote to erect a two-room school building at or near Grosvenor's corner and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 38 To see if the Town will vote to borrow money to pay for the construction and furnishing of the school houses to be built the present year, and for the purchase of land for school purposes and authorize the issue of notes or bonds or the town therefor.
- Article 39 By request of Edward B. Kimball and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend its water system along Hampshire street from the present terminus a distance of 850

feet, and appropriate \$850.00 for the same.

Article 40 To see if the Town will vote to lay 600 feet of water main on Canobieola street and appropriate \$600.00 for the same.

Article 41 By request of Robert Wolfenden and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend its water service from the corner of Lowell street and Winthrop avenue, up Winthrop avenue, a distance of about 450 feet and appropriate \$450.00 for the same.

Article 42 By request of Andrew Pulnik and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend its water service along Cross Avenue, a distance of 800 feet, and appropriate \$800.00 for the same.

Article 43 By request of John A. Hinsh and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend its water service from the present terminus on Clayton avenue to the property of Mr. Preston on said street, a distance of 400 feet, and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the same.

Article 44 By request of Frank Marcello and others, to see if the Town will vote to lay water mains along Merriline avenue, a distance of 1030 feet, and appropriate \$1030.00 for the same.

Article 45 By request of John McFarlane and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend the water supply up Piedmont street, a distance of 3000 feet, and appropriate \$3000.00 for the same.

Article 46 By request of John Harnisch and others, to see if the Town will vote to lay water mains along Oak street, a distance of 2000 feet, and appropriate \$2000.00 for the same.

Article 47 By request of Harnisch Brothers and others, to see if the Town will vote to lay water pipes on Oak Street, from Pleasant Valley street, to the house of Anton Hartung, a distance of 2000 feet, and appropriate \$2000.00 for the same.

Article 48 By request of John J. Hurley and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend its water system along Woodland street, and then along Durrell terrace, a distance of 800 feet, and appropriate \$800.00 for the same.

Article 49 To see if the Town will vote to lay 1400 feet of water main on Maple street, and appropriate \$1400.00 for the same.

Article 50 By request of Paul Viet and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend the water service from Ashford Street to Greendale street, a distance of about 2000 feet, and appropriate \$2000.00 for the same.

Article 51 To see if the Town will vote to issue bonds, notes or script, and fix the amount, time of payment, and rate of interest thereof and thereon for the water extension as voted.

Article 52 By request of the Water Board, to see if the Town will vote to meter the water consumed by the other departments of the town, except where provision for payment for water consumed is otherwise made, proper credit to be given to the water department.

- Article 53 By request of the Water Board, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3000.00 to the sinking fund.
- Article 54 By request of John W. Beaumont and others to see if the Town will vote to increase the pay of the regular police officers 25 cents per diem, the same to be taken out of the regular police appropriation.
- Article 55 To see if the Town will vote to install a police signal system and appropriate \$5000.00 for the same.
- Article 56 By request of William J. Oliver to see if the Town will vote to reimburse him for loss of pay and medical attendance during a surgical operation for an injury, sustained in the performance of his duty as a police officer, and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for the same.
- Article 57 By request of the fire engineers to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1500.00 for the purchase of fire hose.
- Article 58 By request of the East Methuen Hose Co. to see if the Town will vote to buy a hand chemical and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the same.
- Article 59 By request of Thomas J. Ryan and others to see if the Town will vote to place a fire alarm box at the corner of Wingate avenue and Merrimack street, and appropriate \$150.00 for the same.
- Article 60 By request of Alfred Griffiths and others to see if the Town will vote to install a fire alarm box at the junction of East and Jackson streets and appropriate \$125.00 for the same.
- Article 61 To see if the Town will vote to install a fire alarm box at the corner of Lowell street and Oakland avenue and appropriate \$1000.00 for the same.
- Article 62 By request of the executive committee of the Home and School Garden Association to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the work of the Home and Garden School Association.
- Article 63 By request of A. W. Currier and others to see if the Town will vote to lay 200 feet of pipe, more or less, for an overflow at the reservoir and make an appropriation of \$200.00 for the same.
- Article 64 By request of the Cemetery Commission to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$500.00 to carry on the work of the cemetery.
- Article 65 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase and setting out of shade trees on our streets.
- Article 66 To see if the Town will vote that before a new street is accepted that it must be planted out with shade trees under the inspection of the Tree Warden or his employees.

- Article 67 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to make and enforce regulation for the public health and safety relative to house drainage and its connection with public sewers under the provisions of section 66 of Chapter 75 of the Revised Laws.
- Article 68 To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 103 of the Revised Laws.
- Article 69 To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of article 45 of 1908, “ That none but voters of the Town be granted permits to make sewer connections with the main sewer.”
- Article 70 By request of Alfred Mannifield and others to see if the Town will vote to lease or buy a place to be used as a central slaughter house, same to be situated on or near the Boston and Maine Railroad.
- Article 71 By request of C. A. Donovan and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Stearns avenue from Berkley street to the Lawrence line, a distance of about 300 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 72 By request of C. A. Donovan and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Mayflower street from Stearns avenue to East Brook place, a distance of about 450 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 74 By request of C. A. Donovan and others to see if the Town will vote to accept East Brook street place from Arlington street to Berkley street, a distance of about 1000 feet, as laid out by the Selectman.
- Article 75 By request of Thomas Hogarth and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Edgewood avenue from accepted line westerly to No. 134 Edgewood avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 76 By request of James Silverthorne and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Winthrop avenue from Lowell street, 600 feet through the estate of the late William S. Searle, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 77 By request of Henry Dean and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Lyndale avenue from the corner of Pelham street, a distance of about 1000 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 78 By request of Oscar F. Eichler and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Frederick avenue, running from Pelham street to Emerson terrace, a distance of 550 feet, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 79 By request of John H. Giles and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Giles street a distance of 480 feet extending from Forest street, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 80 By request of William H. Forbes and others to see if the Town will vote to install four electric lights one Prospect street between Marston’s corner and the residence of Melvin Mills and appropriate \$100.00 for the same.



- Article 81 By request of William F. Schruender and others to see if the Town will vote to install a light on Lowell street between the house of Frank Elger and William E. Schruender and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 82 By request of John Briggs and others to see if the Town will vote to install a light on Merrill street between Brown and Centre streets and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 83 By request of James W. Calnan and others to see if the Town will vote to place a street light on Booth road at a point opposite the Elizabeth Bradley school and appropriate the sum of \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 84 By request of Harnisch Brothers and others to see if the Town will vote to place two street lights on Oak street, one about 100 feet north of Albert Steidel's house and one between Harnisch Brothers and Ambrose Hutchinson's house, and appropriate \$32.00 for the same.
- Article 85 By request of Jeremiah Donahue to see if the Town will vote to install two lights, one at the corner of Prospect street and Boston street and one t the corner of Prospect and King streets, and appropriate \$32.00 for the same.
- Article 86 By request of Thomas Hogarth and others to see if the Town will vote to install two incandescent lights between Ruskin avenue and 134 Edgewood avenue and appropriate the sum of \$32.00 for the same.
- Article 87 By request of Frederick W. Foster and others to see if the Town will vote to install a street light at the junction of Washington street and Pleasant Valley streets and appropriate the sum of \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 88 By request of Charles M. Sawyer and others to see if the Town will vote to install a street light on Lowell street in the vicinity of Dowding's turnout and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 89 By request of John Enwright and others to see if the Town will vote to install a light at the end of French street next to Mr. Hall's property and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 90 By request of Thomas Levis and others to see if the Town will vote to install a light on Hobson street at the corner of Newport street and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 91 By request of James H. Morris and others to see if the Town will vote to install an electric light in front of the residence of James H. Morris, 34 Elm street, and make an appropriation of \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 92 By request of Robert Webb and others to see if the Town will vote to install a light on Short street at the corner of Maguire street and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 93 By request of Mrs. W. E. Sellars and others to see if the Town will vote to install four

lights between Nevins bungalow and the residence of Mrs. W. E. Sellars on Broadway and appropriate \$64.00 for the same.

- Article 94 By request of W. H. Crowe and others to see if the Town will vote to maintain a street light on Combination street 450 feet from the corner of Merrimack and Combination streets and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 95 By request of G. L. Cross and others to see if the Town will vote to install a street light on Merrimack street near the house of Mrs. L. F. Cross and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 96 By request of James H. Lord and others, to see if the Town will vote to erect and install 6 lights on Forest street between Barker school and Hill street, at suitable distances, and raise and appropriate \$96.00 for the same.
- Article 97 By request of Richard Batty and others, to see if the Town will vote to place two lights on Pleasant Valley street, one on the hill in front of Richard Batty's house and one 100 feet west of Eben Little's house, and appropriate \$32.00 for the same.
- Article 98 By request of William A. Brothers and others, to see if the Town will vote to place a street lamp at the corner of Fairfax and Bates streets and appropriate the sum of \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 99 By request of Charles W. Coombs and others, to see if the Town will vote to place a street light on Baremeadow street, between the residence of Charles Coombs and John Hoh's residence, and appropriate the sum of \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 100 By request of James T. Long and others, to see if the Town will vote to maintain a street light already in place on the south side of Longwood drive and make an appropriation of \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 101 By request of James T. Long and others, to see if the Town will vote to install a street light at the corner of Longwood drive and Jackson terrace, about 200 feet from Jackson Street, and appropriate the sum of \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 102 By request of W. P. Townsend and others, to see if the Town will vote to install two street lights on Tyler street and appropriate the sum of \$32.00 for the same.
- Article 103 By request H. P. Findeison and others, to see if the Town will vote to have a light placed at the corner of Ashland and Lowell street and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 104 By request of I. C. Brown and others, to see if the Town will vote to install 2 arc lights on Howe street, from Marston's corner to the blacksmith's ship on Howe street, and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 105 By request I. C. brown and others, to see if the Town will vote to have the Town install a drinking fountain at Marston's corner for public use, and make an appropriation for the same.

Article 106 To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to charge for the use of the Town Hall on all occasions.

Article 107 To see what action the Town will take to create a Town Planning Board in conformity with the requirements of Chapter 494 of the Acts of 1913, to choose members thereof, and to act in any manner in relation thereto.

Article 108 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to either sell or lease the Town Farm for a term of years.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen this seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Town  
Seal.

Henry N. Hall,  
Sam'l Rushton,  
James H. Lyons,  
Selectmen of Methuen

### **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

**Methuen, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1914**

By virtue of the within precept I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the By Laws of the said Town of Methuen by posting an Attested Copy of the within Warrant at the Town House in Precinct one at the corner of Broadway and Chase Sts. and one on Centre St. near Tenney St. and one on Centre St. near Tenney St. in Precinct two and one on the Voting Booth on Swan St. in Precinct three on Friday the Twentieth day of February 1914, being Ten days before the day of said meeting.

George Bunting, Constable of Methuen

### **Record of Election of Town Officers, March 2, 1914.**

At meetings of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, in the County of Essex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts held in the respective Precincts in said Town pursuant to Warrant No. 24 File 14 on Monday, March second A.D. 1914, the qualified voters of said Town brought in their written votes for the several officers to be balloted for, and on the question "Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating liquors in this Town," and two other questions, and the same were received, sorted, counted, declared, and registered in open precinct meetings according to law, as appears by the certified returns from said Precincts transmitted to the Town Clerk, and examined by him in conjunction with the Board of Registrars of Voters. And according to the returns the following appears to be the result of the election held as aforesaid.

	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>The whole number of ballots cast was,</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>1646</b>

#### **For Moderator**

Granville E. Foss, 41 Hampshire St.	488	183	136	807
Blank	446	219	174	839
And Granville E. Foss was declared elected Moderator and was sworn.				

#### **For Selectmen and Overseers of Poor**

David A. Acker, 12 Pinedale Ave.	34	28	26	88
Albert N. Gilson, 115 Pelham St.	22	2	2	2
Thomas R. Haigh, 4 Annis St.	40	78	10	128
Henry N. Hall, 5 Walnut St.	380	112	71	563
Thomas N. Hubbard, 8 May Ct.	193	59	15	267
Joseph Kohler, 15 Elsmere Ave.	81	15	20	116
James H. Lyons, 244 Oakland Ave.	574	217	188	979
James H. Morris, 34 Elm St.	402	108	183	693
Samuel Rushton, 39 Centre St.	286	264	99	649
William L. Stedman, 22 Prospect St.	483	157	154	794
Thomas Taylor	23	16	33	72
James Watt	48	10	35	93
Geo. A. Taylor	1			1
Blank	235	140	94	469

And James H. Lyons, James H. Morris and William L. Stedman were declared elected Selectmen and Overseers of Poor and were sworn.

#### **For Assessor of Taxes – Three years**

Albert N. Gilson, 115 Pelham St.	255	177	136	568
Henry N. Hall, 5 Walnut St.	564	179	131	874
Blank	115	46	43	204

And Henry N. Hall was declared elected Assessor of Taxes for three years and was sworn.

#### **For Town Clerk and Treasurer**

Joseph S. Howe, 8 Stevens St.	755	303	235	1293
Blank	179	99	75	353

And Joseph S. Howe was declared elected Town Clerk and Treasurer and was sworn.

#### **For Collector of Taxes**

Walter L. S. Gilcreast, 316 Broadway	555	270	206	1031
Frederick Hall, 97 Arnold St.	324	94	57	475
Blank	54	38	47	139
George Richardson, Pleasant St.	1			1

And Walter L. S. Gilcreast was declared elected Collector of Taxes, and was sworn.

#### **For School Committee – 3 Years**

George W. Ramsden, 15 Carleton St.	174	122	65	361
Frederick A. Russell, 469 Merrimack St.	613	219	201	1033
Blank	147	61	44	252

And Frederick A. Russell was declared elected School Committee for three years.

#### **For Highway Surveyor**

Robert W. Dow, 11 Barker St.	747	334	223	1304
Geo. Smith		1		1
Blank	187	67	87	341

And Robert W. Dow was declared elected Highway Surveyor and was sworn.

#### **For Water Commissioner – Three years**

Allan H. Gammons, 128 Lowell St.	433	136	70	639
Robert H. Newsholme, 171 Ashland Ave.	465	238	221	924
Blank	36	28	19	33

And Robert H. Newsholme was declared elected Water Commissioner for three years and was sworn.

#### **For Cemetery Commissioner – Three years**

J. W. Riley		5	1	6
James W. Riley, 51 Oakland Ave.	17			17
Moses G. Smith, 1 Lowell	10			10
Walter Steen, 111 Oakland Ave.	2	1		3
Geo. A. Dudley, 29 Barker	11			11
Ernest Burnham, 1 Orchard	1			1
E. J. Feeney	1			1
Joseph Hall	1			1
J. W. Collins	1			1
Sam. Rushton	1			1
Blank	903	392	309	1593

And James W. Riley was declared elected Cemetery Commissioner for three years and was sworn.

#### **For Constable**

George Bunting, 11 Annis St.	554	239	202	995
W. H. Russell, 154 Oakland Ave.	6	5	1	12
W. J. Oliver		14		14
J. H. Lyons		1		1
Blank	374	143	107	624

And George Bunting was declared elected Constable.

#### **For Auditor**

Frank Sharples, 147 Tenney St.	596	316	185	1097
Blank	338	86	125	549

And Frank Sharples was declared elected Auditor and was sworn.

#### **For Tree Warden**

Alfred H. Wagland, 3 Kirk St.	655	300	205	1160
J. H. Lyons		1		1
Blank	279	101	105	485

And Alfred H. Wagland was declared elected Tree Warden.

#### **For Trustee of Nevins Memorial – 2 Years**

Harry H. Johnson, 12 Central St.	599	261	182	1042
Wm. Foster		1		1
Blank	335	140	128	603

And Harry H. Johnson was declared elected Trustee of Nevins Memorial for two years.

#### **For Fence Viewers**

Charles Hutchins (sworn), 38 Pelham St.	585	245	190	1020
Fred E. Koenig, 13 Milk St.	544	230	203	977
S. Wesley Young, 354 Pelham	572	236	195	1003
Blank	1101	495	342	1938

#### **License Vote**

##### **“Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?”**

Yes	289	159	143	591
No	532	197	120	849
Blank	113	46	47	206

**“Shall Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1913, being an Act relative to the promotion of all firemen in the fire department of cities and towns be accepted.”**

Yes	332	147	119	598
No	122	66	38	226
Blank	480	189	143	812

**“Shall Chapter 807 of the Acts of 1913 being an Act to provide for the compensating laborers, workmen and mechanics for injuries sustained in public employment, and to exempt from legal liability counties and municipal corporations which pay such compensation, be accepted by the inhabitants of the town?”**

Yes	370	177	107	654
No	141	51	58	250
Blank	423	174	145	742

We hereby certify that the foregoing return is a correct compilation of the Precinct Returns received from the several precincts in the Town of Methuen.

Jos. S. Howe Town Clerk

Fred A. Hoyle  
Edward J. Feeney } Registrars  
Fred W. Stowers

A true copy

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe, Town Clerk

**Methuen, March third 1914**

I Joseph S. Howe, of Methuen in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts as I am the Town Clerk of said Methuen hereby appoint Miss Sylvia P. Leavitt to be Assistant Town Clerk as provided by statute. – Sworn

Jos. S. Howe, Town Clerk

### **Record of Business Meeting, March 7, 1914**

The Annual Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs was held on Saturday March seventh 1914, at one o'clock P.M. as specified in the Warrant. The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the call for the meeting and announced the election of Granville E. Foss, as Moderator, who was duly sworn. All the articles in the Warrant were read, as the meeting proceeded. The first business of the meeting was the choice of those officers not required to be chosen by ballot as follows:-

Article 1      **Officers not Chosen by ballot**

**Field Drivers**

Arnold Wray

John D. Emerson

**Surveyors of Plastering**

Silas K. Nowell

Charles E. Russell

John W. Moss

Walter Winn

**Surveyors of Lumber**

Robert W. Dow

James H. Lyons (sworn)

Charles Hutchins (sworn)

Elliot P. Spooner

Charles I. Lyons

**Surveyors of Wood and Bark**

Charles A. Stevens

James Benjamin

Samuel Emerson

**Pound Keepers**

Benjamin Nice

Nathaniel Otis

Article 2      **Selectmen's Report**

The Annual Report of the Selectmen having been distributed, was accepted without debate.

Article 3      **Appropriations**

It was voted to consider the appropriations, item by item, and as finally voted they were as follows:-

**For:**

School teachers, janitors, fuel, supervision as recommended by School Committee	\$52,800.00
School Repairs	2,000.00
School Supplies	5,000.00
School Contingencies and Physician	2,000.00
Night Schools	1,200.00
Opening Roads and Sanding Walks	2,500.00
Highways and Bridges	6,000.00
Macadam, repairs	12,000.00



Sewers	3,000.00
Sidewalks	2,500.00
Highway Surveyor	1,500.00
Edgestone & Flagging	2,500.00
Street Sprinkling	1,000.00
Town Teams	4,500.00
Health Department	1,000.00
Tree Warden Department	500.00
Suppression of Moths	3,361.00
Fire Department	5,500.00
Police Department	7,800.00
Contingencies	3,000.00
Street Lights addition	6,000.00
Pauper Department	3,000.00
Soldiers Relief	600.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	600.00
Military Aid	100.00
Town Officers	4,300.00
Clerk	900.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	300.00
Plumbing Inspector	400.00
Town Physician	600.00
Interest on Town Debt	9,000.00
Collection of Taxes	1,500.00
Water Bonds	5,000.00
School House Notes	<u>6,000.00</u>
	157,961.00

Voted, that the Street Commissioner be authorized to transfer any unexpended balances from one department to another in the different branches under his charge. Also that the Superintendent of schools be authorized to transfer unexpended balances from one school department to another, if deemed advisable.

Voted,- that the Selectmen be instructed to require reports from all Heads of Departments, including a report from the Town physician.

#### Article 4     **Collecting Taxes**

Voted,- That taxes be collected the same as last year, and that on all taxes remaining unpaid November first, interest shall be paid from that date to the time of payment, at the rate of six per cent per annum.

#### Article 5     **Temporary Loans**

Voted,- by a unanimous vote, that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning Jan. first 1914 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred

under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

**Article 6 Report of Committees**

No report from any Committee was made under Article 6.

**Article 7 Dog Licenses**

Voted – to appropriate the money received from dog licenses for the support of the Schools, in accordance with Chapter 102 Section 103 of the Revised Laws.

**Article 8 Fire Department Compensation**

Voted,- that the compensation of the members of the Fire Department be the same as last year.

**Article 9 Memorial Day \$200.00**

Voted, - to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars for decorating the graves of our soldiers and sailors on Memorial Day, May 30<sup>th</sup> 1914. Said money to be expended under the direction of William B. Greene Post, 100 G. A. R.

**Article 10 Auditor**

Voted – That Article 10 be laid on table.

**Article 11 Dewey St.**

Voted – to refer Article 11 to the Selectmen.

**Article 12 East St. \$200**

Voted,- to appropriate Two Hundred Dollars to build a sidewalk on East St. beginning at Ashford St. and continuing towards Arthur St. as far as can be built with that sum of money.

**Article 108 Town Farm**

Voted – To take Article 108 from the Warrant for discussion. After considerable talk relating to the advisability of selling or leasing the town farm, it was voted to pass over the article.

**Article 13 Chelmsford St.**

Voted – to pass over Article 13 of the Warrant.

**Article 14 Sewer**

Voted – to pass over Article 14 of the Warrant.

**Article 15 Pelham St.**

Voted, to pass over Article 15 of the Warrant.

Article 16 **Booth Road Sidewalk**

Voted – to appropriate fifty dollars to construct a cinder sidewalk from Merrimack St. to the Elizabeth Bradley school house on Booth Road, said sum to be taken from the regular appropriation for sidewalks.

Article 17 **Currier St.**

Voted, - to pass over Article 17 of the Warrant.

Article 18 **Baremeadow \$300.00**

Voted – to appropriate Three Hundred Dollars to repair Baremeadow street from the driveway of Amos Ball northerly and to build a two foot culvert.

Article 19 **No. Lowell St.**

Voted – to pass over Article 19 of the Warrant.

Article 20 **Increase of St. Dept. Laborers Compensation.**

Voted, to pass over Article 20 of the Warrant.

Yes 140 No 65

Article 21 **Sidewalk Pelham St.**

Voted to pass over Article 21 of the Warrant.

Article 22 **Railroad St.**

Voted – that the Selectmen be instructed to investigate and report on the subject contained in Article 22 at an adjourned meeting.

Article 23 **Albion St. Sidewalk**

Voted: to pass over Article 23 of the Warrant.

Article 24 **Ashland Ave.**

Voted, - to grade Ashland Avenue and appropriate One Hundred and Fifty Dollars for that purpose, said sum to be taken from the regular appropriation.

Article 25 **Milk St.**

Voted – to repair the macadam on Milk street, between Baremeadow and Pleasant Valley streets, and appropriate Eight Hundred Dollars for that purpose, said sum to be taken from the regular appropriation.

Article 26 **Pleasant Valley St. \$1000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted, - to macadamize a portion of Pleasant Valley Street between Merrimack St. and farm of Richard Batty, and appropriate One Thousand Dollars therefor, beginning at the house of David L. Knightly and going east.

Article 27 **Vermont St.**

Voted – to Pass over Article 29 of the Warrant.

Article 28 **Culvert East St.**

Voted – to lay a new culvert at the corner of East St. and Arthur street, and appropriate Fifty Dollars therefor, to be taken from regular appropriation.

Article 29 **Hampstead St.**

Voted to pass over Article 29 of the Warrant.

Article 30 **Playstead Appropriation \$300.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted – to maintain the Playstead, also the various plots of land formerly taken care of by the Village Improvement society and to appropriate three hundred dollars for that purpose.

Article 31 **Swimming pool**

Voted – that a Committee of five be appointed from the floor to investigate the providing of a swimming pool in connection with the playstead. The Committee consists of Fred W. Stowers, Thomas N. Hubbard, Robert W. Dow, Allen Pyrah, and George Butler.

Article 32 **School lot near Tozier's corner \$500**

Voted – that the school Committee be instructed to purchase a lot of land near Tozier's corner as a building site for a public school and that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be appropriated to meet the expenses of such purchase, in addition to the amount appropriated in 1913.

Voted,- that in case the school committee are not able to purchase a suitable lot, the Selectmen be authorized to take by seizure as provided by law, the land selected by the School Committee.

Article 33 **New School House, Tozier's lot**

Voted – that the Town erect a four room brick school-house in the vicinity of Tozier's corner and appropriate Seventeen Thousand Dollars for same, - \$16,000 for building – \$1,000.<sup>00</sup> for furnishing and land, said sums being the written estimate submitted by

the School Committee.

**Article 34 School lot, Pleasant Valley**

Voted – that the Selectmen be instructed to take as a building site for a public school, a parcel of land adjoining, and directly in the rear of the present school lot on Pleasant Valley street.

**Article 35 Pleasant Valley School House**

Voted – that the Town erect a four room brick school house in the vicinity of Pleasant Valley and appropriate Seventeen Thousand Dollars for the same, \$16,000.<sup>.00</sup> for building, \$1,000.<sup>.00</sup> for furnishing and land. Said sums being the written estimate submitted by the school board.

At this point, a motion was made to adjourn, and the meeting was adjourned to Saturday, March 14 at two o'clock P.M.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Record of Adjourned Town Meeting**

**Methuen, March 14, 1914**

An adjourned meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen was held at the Town House in said Town on Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 1914, at two o'clock P.M. according to adjournment on March 7<sup>th</sup>, the Moderator Granville E. Foss in the chair. A motion was made to reconsider the action taken on Article 20 of the Warrant. A vote was taken, and the motion was lost 47 Yeas, 67 noes, - two thirds not having voted therefor.

**Article 36 Land Grosvenor's Corner.**

Voted – to pass over Article 36 of the Warrant.

**Article 37 School House Grosvenor's Corner.**

Voted to pass over Article 37 of the Warrant.

**Article 38 School House Loan.**

Voted, by a unanimous vote: - That for the purpose of raising money to pay for the construction and furnishing of the school houses voted to be built in the vicinity of Tozier's corner, and in Pleasant Valley, and for the purchase of land for school purposes, the Town Treasurer is hereby directed to issue and sell notes or bonds of the Town, coupon in form, to the amount of Thirty four Thousand Dollars, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and payable in annual instalments of two thousand dollars

each, beginning one year from the date of said notes or bonds and continuing for seventeen successive years, and the proceeds of said notes or bonds are hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid.

Voted – that the Selectmen be authorized to dispose of the old school house in Pleasant Valley.

Voted, - that the Moderator appoint two persons to be added to the School Committee to supervise the building of the school houses. The Moderator appointed Robert Stanley and William Kenison.

Article 39 **Macadam Edward B. Kimball**

Voted – to extend the water system along Hampshire street from the present terminus, a distance of 850 feet, and appropriate Eight Hundred and fifty dollars therefor.

Article 40 **Water Pipe Canobieola**

Voted to pass over Article 40 of the Warrant.

Article 41 **Water service Winthrop Ave.**

Voted to extend the water service from the corner of Lowell street and Winthrop avenue, up Winthrop Avenue, a distance of about four hundred and fifty feet and appropriate Four Hundred and fifty dollars therefor.

Article 42 **Water Service Cross Avenue**

Voted – to pass over Article 42 of the Warrant.

Article 43 **Water service Clayton Ave.**

Voted, to extend the water service from the present terminus on Clayton Avenue to the property of Mr. Preston on said street, a distance of four hundred feet, and appropriate Four Hundred dollars therefor.

Article 44 **Water service Merriline Ave.**

Voted – to pass over Article 44 of the Warrant.

Article 45 **Water service Piedmont Ave.**

Voted – to pass over Article 45 of the Warrant.

Article 46 **Water service Oak St.**

Voted – to pass over Article 46 of the Warrant.

Article 47 **Water service Oak St.**

Voted – to lay water pipes on Oak street, from Pleasant Valley street, to the house of Anton Hartung, a distance of 2000 feet, and appropriate Two Thousand Dollars therefor.

Article 48 **Water service Woodland St.**

Voted – to extend the water system along Woodland street, and then along Durrell terrace, a distance of eight hundred feet, and appropriate Eight Hundred Dollars for the same.

Article 49 **Water supply Maple Street**

Voted – to lay fourteen hundred feet of water pipe on Maple street and appropriate fourteen hundred dollars therefor.

Article 50 **Water Supply Ashford to Greendale**

Voted to extend the water service from Ashford street to Greendale street, a distance of about 2000 feet, and appropriate Two Thousand Dollars therefor.

Article 51 **Water Loan**

Voted, - by a unanimous vote, that for the purpose of raising money to pay for the water extensions voted at this meeting, the Town Treasurer is hereby directed to issue and sell notes or bonds of the Town, coupon in form to the amount of Eight Thousand Dollars, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum, and payable in annual instalments of five hundred dollars each, beginning one year for the date of said notes or bonds, and continuing for sixteen successive years, and the proceeds of said notes or bonds are hereby appropriated for the purposes aforesaid.

Article 52 **Water meters**

After considerable discussion the voters refused to meter water consumed by other departments of the town.

Article 53 **Sinking Fund**

Voted – to appropriate Three Thousand Dollars to the water Sinking fund, said sum to be taken from the income of the Water Works.

Article 54 **Police pay**

After considerable discussion it was  
Voted – to pass over Article 54 of the Warrant.

Article 55 **Police Signal**

Mr. Oliphant, of the Committee appointed to investigate the subject of a Police signal system, made a verbal report of the result of their investigations and the Article was then

passed over.

Article 56 **W. J. Oliver**

Voted to pay William J. Oliver for loss of pay and medical attendance the sum of One Hundred and twenty five Dollars, said sum to be taken from the regular appropriation for Police.

Article 57 **Fire Hose \$1500**

Voted – to appropriate Fifteen Hundred Dollars for the purchase of a fire hose.

Article 58 **East Methuen Hose Co. \$25.<sup>00</sup>**

Article 58 being under consideration, it was voted to pass over the Article. Afterwards it was voted to reconsider that action, and it was voted to buy a hand chemical and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Dollars therefor.

Article 59 **Fire Alarm box \$150.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted – to place a fire alarm box at the corner of Wingate Avenue and Merrimack street, and appropriate One Hundred and Fifty Dollars therefor.

Article 60 **Fire Alarm**

Voted – to pass over Article 60 of the Warrant.

Article 61 **Fire Alarm \$100.**

Voted – to install a fire alarm box at the corner of Lowell street and Oakland Avenue, and appropriate One Hundred dollars for that purpose.

Article 62 **Home & School Garden Association \$150.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted, - to appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars for the work of the Home and School Garden Association.

Article 58 **East Methuen Hose Co.**

At this stage of the meeting, a motion was made to reconsider the vote whereby Article 58 was passed over:- and the motion was carried. It was then voted to buy a hand chemical for the East Methuen Hose Co. and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Dollars therefor.

Article 63 **Reservoir Pipe**

Voted to pass over Article 63 of the Warrant.



Article 64 **Cemetery**

Voted to pass over Article 64 of the Warrant.

Article 65 **Shade trees**

Voted to pass over Article 65 of the Warrant.

Article 66 **Shade trees**

Voted to pass over Article 66 of the Warrant.

Resolution Voted, - that the Selectmen be, and are hereby instructed, to publish one week before the appointment of any executive officer, or department head, the names of all candidates under consideration for said office.

Article 67 **Board of Health**

Voted – to authorize the Board of Health to make and enforce regulation for the public health and safety relative to house drainage and its connection with public sewers under the provisions of Section 66 of Chapter 75 of the Revised Laws.

Article 68 **Acceptance – Chap. 103**

After some discussion of this article, it was voted that further consideration of the subject be postponed.

Article 69 **Rescind Votes**

Voted – to rescind the vote of Article 45 of 1908: “That none but voters of the Town be granted permits to make sewer connections with the Main sewer.”

Article 70 **Central Slaughter House**

Voted – to pass over Article 70 of the Warrant.

Article 71 **Stearns Ave.**

Voted – to accept Stearns Avenue, as laid out by Selectmen.

Article 72 **Sunset Ave.**

Voted, - to accept Sunset Ave., as laid out by Selectmen.

Article 73 **Mayflower St.**

Voted – to pass over Article 73 of the Warrant.

Article 74 **East Brook Place**

Voted – to pass over Article 74 of the Warrant.

Voted – to adjourn the meeting to Saturday March 21, at two o'clock P.M. –

Adjourned at 5-30 P.M.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk.

**Record of Adjourned Town Meeting**

**Methuen, March 21, 1914**

An adjourned meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections, was held at the Town House in said Town, according to adjournment, on Saturday March 21, 1914 at two o'clock P.M. the Moderator, Granville E. Foss presiding. The meeting was called to order at two o'clock by the Moderator who announced the first unfinished business to be the consideration of Article 75 of the Warrant.

Article 75 **Edgewood Ave.**

A motion was made to pass over the article, and was motion was decided in the negative. It was then voted to accept Edgewood Ave. as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 10 **State Auditor**

Voted, - to postpone the subject matter of Article 10 to the next Annual Town meeting.

Article 68 **Chap. 103**

Voted – to take up Article 68 which was postponed at the last meeting. It was voted after considerable discussion to accept the provisions of Chapter 103.

Article 22 **Railroad St.**

Voted, - to instruct the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to relocate Railroad street from Oakland Avenue to the Lawrence line.

Article 76 **Winthrop Ave.**

Voted – to accept Winthrop Avenue as laid out by Selectmen.

Article 77 **Lyndale Ave.**

Voted – to accept Lyndale Avenue, as laid out by Selectmen.

Article 78 **Frederick Ave.**

Voted – to accept Frederick Avenue as laid out by Selectmen.

Article 79 **Giles St.**

Voted – to accept Giles street as laid out by Selectmen.

Articles 80 **Street Lights**  
to 103

It was voted to refer Articles 80 to 103 inclusive to the Selectmen with full power, and to appropriate Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars for the installation of lights.

Article 104 **Arc Lights**

Voted – to pass over Article 104 of the Warrant.

Article 105 **Drinking fountain**

Voted – to pass over Article 105 of the Warrant.

Article 106 **Use of Hall**

Voted – to lay Article 106 upon the table.

Article 107 **Planning Board**

Voted – to pass over Article 107 of the Warrant.

Mr. Bower moved, - that a Committee of nine be appointed to investigate the advisability of changing our present form of town government. Said committee to report with their recommendations to a future meeting, And the motion was carried. Voted – that this Committee be appointed by Moderator.

Voted – to instruct the Selectmen to make a contract for three years with the Lawrence Gas Co. for lighting the streets and that Seven Hundred Dollars be added to the regular appropriation for street lighting. The lights to run all night and every night.

Voted – that the Finance Committee of this year be requested to serve another year.

By a unanimous rising vote, the thanks of the meeting were tendered to Mr. Foss, for the able and impartial manner in which he had discharged the duties of Moderator.

The meeting adjourned sine die at 3-50 P.M.

Attest – Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

The following persons were appointed Committee on new form of Government,  
Edward A. Bower, Edwin J. Castle, Alfred Sagar, John A. Perkins, Kimball G. Colby,  
Fred A. Hoyle, Henry H. Crompton, William H. Sherman, Perley D. Smith.

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Warrant for Town Meeting, - May 11, 1914.**

**File 14, No. 25.**

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

To Henry Nimmo, one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen, in said County:

**Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required forthwith to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in the elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Methuen, on Monday evening the eleventh day of May, 1914 at 7-30 o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:-

- Article 1 By request of the school committee to see if the town will vote to seize land for school purposes in the vicinity of Tozier's corner or Howe street.
- Article 2 To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to compel abutters to construct sidewalks where edgestones have already been set.
- Article 3 To see if the Town will petition the Director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of its accounts, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 598 Acts of 1910 and Amendments thereof.
- Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make a contract with the Lawrence Gas Co. for street lights in the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with the doing thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town of Methuen, this twenty seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

James H. Lyons                  Selectmen  
William L. Stedman }        of  
James H. Morris                Methuen

Methuen, Mass. May 11, 1914.

## **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-** By virtue of the within precept, I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the by laws of the Town of Methuen by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the Town House and Post Office in Precinct One, and at the corner of Kirk and Broadway in Precinct Two, and at the polling booth on Swan street, in Precinct Three, on Saturday, second day of May inst. being nine days before the day of said meeting. I have also caused the same to be printed in the Methuen Transcript once a week for two successive weeks the last publication being on Friday the eighth day of May inst. being three days before the day of said Meeting.

Harry Nimmo, Constable of Methuen

A true copy of Warrant and return, -

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk.

### **Record of Special Town Meeting, May 11, 1914**

A meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday May 11, 1914 at half past seven o'clock P.M. the Moderator Granville E. Foss in the chair.

The meeting was called to order at the time appointed and the Warrant was read.

#### **Article 1 Land for School purposes**

Mr. Edward A. Bower, Chairman of the School Committee, explained the circumstances which caused the insertion of the Article and made the following motion:-

“That the Selectmen be authorized to seize for school purposes a certain parcel of land belonging to one Addison M. Grant of Lawrence and bounded and described as follows:-

Commencing at a point on Hampstead Street on land owned by one Fred A. Jewell thence running easterly along the line of an old stone wall to North eastern corner of land of said Jewell, thence running north on land of said Grant to southwest corner of land of one Arthur G. Ellis and to corner of boundary, thence running still north along boundary between said Ellis and said Grant to land of Frank W. George; thence turning and running west to Hampstead Street by land of said George; thence turning and running along said Hampstead street to the point of beginning; also a certain parcel of land belonging to on Frank W. George bounded and described as follows:- on the north by land of Lillian M. Jewell, on the west by Hampstead Street, on the south by land of said Grant, and on the east by land of said Ellis.”

It was stated that another proposition would be laid before the meeting and the motion was laid on the table.

#### **Article 2 Sidewalks**

Voted to instruct the Selectmen to compel abutters to construct sidewalks where edgestones have already been set.

**Article 3 Town Accounts**

Voted that a Committee of three be appointed to consider the subject contained in Article three and report thereon at the next Annual Meeting. The Town Auditor to be a member of the Committee and the remaining two members to be appointed by the Chair. The Chair appointed Hon. Edwin J. Castle, and Hon. George Bunting.

**Article 1 Land for School purposes**

Article one was taken from the table and the motion made by Mr. Bower was carried by a unanimous vote.

Voted:- that the Selectmen be instructed to cause all town offices to be closed at one o'clock Saturday afternoon between April 15<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Article 4 Street Lights**

Voted:- to authorize the Selectmen to make a contract with the Lawrence Gas Company, for the term of three years, for street lights, at sixteen dollars per light.

No other business appearing the meeting was adjourned.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Warrant – Primary Elections 1914  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts – File 14 - No. 26**

**Essex SS:-** To Harry Nimmo, One of the Constables of the Town of Methuen.

**Greeting:-** In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in primaries to meet in the various polling places, namely: at the Town Hall in voting Precinct One, in the basement of the Arlington school in Precinct Two and the polling place on Swan street in Precinct Three, on Tuesday the twenty second day of September 1914 at twelve o'clock noon, for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary officers for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following officers, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Representative in Congress in the Fifth Essex District, Councillor, Senator in the Fifth Essex District, Two Representatives in the General Court in the Fifth Essex District, County Commissioner for Essex County, and for the election of the following officers: District member of State Committee for each political party, for the 5<sup>th</sup> senatorial district, members of the Republican town committee, members of the Democratic two committee and members of the Progressive town committee, delegates to State conventions of political parties. All the above

candidates and officers are to be voted for on one ballot. The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 8 o'clock P.M. And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof 8 day at least before the time and place of said meeting as voted by the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said Meeting.

Given under our hands this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September A.D. 1914.

(seal) James H. Lyons      Selectmen  
James H. Morris      }      of  
William L. Stedman      Methuen  
Harry Nimmo, Constable

### **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS.**

**Sept. 10, 1914**

By virtue of the within precept I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the By-laws of the town of Methuen by posting an attested copy in Precinct One and at the corner of Kirk and Broadway in Precinct Two, and at the polling booth on Swan St. in Precinct Three on Thursday tenth day of September inst. being twelve days before the day of said meeting and I have also caused the same to be printed in the Methuen Transcript one a week for two successive weeks, the last publication being on Friday the eighteenth day of September being four days before the day of said meeting.

Harry Nimmo – Constable of Methuen

A true copy

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

### **Record of Primaries Sept. 22, 1914**

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, meetings were held in the designated polling places on Tuesday September twenty second for the purposes named and the following is the result of the balloting as transmitted by the Precinct Officers:

#### **Republican Candidates**

<b>For Governor</b>	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Samuel W. McCall, Mystic Road, Winchester	228	142	65	435
David J. Walsh		1		1
Blank	95	73	36	204

#### **Lieutenant Governor**

Grafton D. Cushing, 20 Chestnut St., Boston	150	112	35	297
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August H. Goetting, 767 State St., Springfield	60	29	31	120
Elmer A. Stevens, 103 Liberty Ave., Somerville	49	25	9	83
Blank	64	50	26	140

### **Secretary**

Frank L. Brier, 15 Saranac St., Boston	67	49	25	141
William S. Kinney, 52 Westland Ave., Boston	38	16	12	66
Albert P. Langtry, 242 Pearl St., Springfield	185	83	35	253
Blank	83	68	29	180

### **Treasurer**

Charles L. Burrill, 20 Chestnut St., Boston	118	79	45	242
Frederick E. Pierce, 8 Franklin St., Greenfield	113	63	29	205
Blank	92	74	37	203

### **Auditor**

Alonzo B. Cork, 177 Ruggles St., Boston	130	71	43	242
Joseph Monette, 265 Ames St., Lawrence	118	77	31	226
Blank	75	68	27	160

### **Attorney General**

Henry C. Attwill, 59 Ocean Ave., Lynn	161	111	42	314
John A. Curtin, 68 Amory St., Brookline	23	16	7	46
James M. Hallowell, 87 Reservoir Ave., Newton	35	16	14	65
John J. Higgins, 10 Dartmouth St., Somerville	16	9	3	28
James A. Stiles, 90 Highland St., Gardner	26	12	6	44
Blank	62	52	29	143

### **Congressman Fifth District**

John Jacob Rogers, 444 Andover St., Lowell	247	156	69	472
Blank	76	60	32	168

### **Councillor Fifth District**

Edward G. Frothingham 35 Arlington St., Haverhill	199	118	23	380
Francis Hurtubis Jr. Phillips Beach Ave. Swampscott	44	14	7	65
Frederick H. Farr, 55 Broadway, Rockport	38	23	8	61
Blank	50	61	23	134

### **Senator Fifth Essex**

James R. Tetler, 300 Ames St., Lawrence	261	158	78	497
Blank	62	58	23	143



### **Representatives in General Court Fifth Essex**

Arthur Bower, 472 High St., Lawrence	157	145	62	364
George Bunting, 11 Annis St., Methuen	160	169	35	368
Alfred J. Burckel, 30 Milford St., Lawrence	31	10	41	82
Herman Grunwald, 119 East Haverhill St., Lawrence	11	4	18	33
William H. Russell, 154 Oakland Ave., Methuen	156	47	23	226
Blank	127	57	23	207

### **County Commissioner**

Moody Kimball, 57 Fair St., Newburyport	247	139	73	459
Blank	76	77	28	181

### **State Committee Fifth Essex**

Michael H. Collopy, 309 High St., Lawrence	49	23	33	105
Frederick W. Gay, 2 Stevens St., Methuen	209	121	43	273
Blank	65	72	25	162

### **Delegates to State Convention**

Alfred Humphries, 3 Carleton St.	248	147	70	465
Levi N. Lowell, 6 Cochrane St.	242	133	69	444
David A. Fortune, 146 Hampshire Road	231	139	70	445
Samuel Joy, 91 Orchard St.	236	153	71	460

Edwin J. Castle, 56 Lowell St.	244	137	70	451
Blank	412	371	153	936
Robert B. Gordon	2			2

### **Town Committee**

Perley D. Smith, 41 Prospect St.	224	131	75	430
John C. Barraclough, 61 Ashland Ave.	225	153	63	441
William H. Russell, 154 Oakland Ave.	231	128	61	420
Henry H. Crompton, 25 Tenney	226	140	66	432
George Bunting, 11 Annis	1			1
Elliot P. Spooner, 57 Hampshire	21	42		63
Robert B. Gordon, 11 High	101			101
Bruce Gordon		1		1
Arthur Moss		1		1
Thomas B. Gates		1		1
Robert Gordon		4		4
T. R. Fletcher			1	1
Albert Huntress			1	1

Wm. Stedman			1	1
Blank	586	498	238	1322

\*The five highest were selected.

## Democratic Candidates

### For Governor

David J. Walsh, 257 Main St., Fitchburg	32	12	19	63
Blank	7	2	6	15

### Lieutenant Governor

Edward P. Barry, 59 Thomas Park, Boston	31	10	18	59
Blank	8	4	7	19

### Secretary

Frank J. Donahue, 15 Powellton Road, Boston	30	11	15	56
Blank	9	3	10	22

### Treasurer

Frederick W. Mansfield, 91 Geneva Ave., Boston	30	10	16	56
Blank	9	4	9	22

### Auditor

Frank H. Pope, 4 Blossom St., Leominster	29	8	15	52
Blank	10	6	10	26

### Attorney General

Thomas J. Boynton, 60 Summer St., Everett	28	9	15	52
Blank	11	5	10	26

### Congressman Fifth District

J. Joseph O'Connor, 29 Walnut St., Lowell	27	9	13	49
Blank	12	5	12	29

### Councillor Fifth District

Charles D. Smith, 1 Myrtle Square, Gloucester	27	8	16	51
Blank	12	6	9	27

**Senator Fifth Essex District**

John E. Cuddy Jr., 78 Howard St., Lawrence	8	6	9	23
Dennis H. Finn, 86 Cross St., Lawrence	12	4	3	19
John C. Sanborn, 45 E. Haverhill St., Lawrence	14	2	3	19
Frederick W. Schlapp, 5 Jordan Ave., Lawrence	3		2	5
Blank	2	2	2	6

**Representatives in General Court Fifth Essex**

John J. Clancy, 33 Swan St., Methuen	14	5	11	30
Ralph A. A. Comparone, 18 Jackson St., Lawrence	8	3	2	13
Thomas F. Keegan, 17 Fulton St., Lawrence	17	5	5	27
John. H. Lawlor, 81 Lawrence St., Lawrence	8	5	6	19
Matthew J. McQuade, 114 Saratoga St., Lawrence	10	2	2	14
Rudolph Schlapp, 46 Ferry St., Lawrence	6	1	10	17
Blank	15	7	14	36

**County Commissioner**

Edgar M. Earley, So. Main St., Andover	27	9	16	52
Blank	12	5	9	26

**State Committee – Fifth Essex**

Augustine K. Dooley, 144 Jackson St., Lawrence	21	6	12	39
John O'Brien, 26 Cross St., Lawrence	10	5	5	20
Blank	8	3	8	19

**Delegate to State Convention**

Edward J. Feeney, 29 Barker St., Methuen	32	13	16	61
Blank	7	1	9	17

**Town Committee**

Robert Gordon, 11 High	1			1
John Manion, 48 Hampshire	12			12
Joseph Guimond, 26 Lowell	5			5
John Quinn, 81 Lowell	2			2
Frank Morse, 26 Hampshire	5			5
Leo Spotwood, 42 Hampshire Roads	1			1
Peter Herbst, 5 Boston	1	1		
Blank	14			14

\*The three highest were selected.

## Progressive Candidates

### For Governor

Joseph Walker, 108 Upland Road, Brookline	22	5	3	30
Blank	3	3		6

### Lieutenant Governor

James P. Magenis, 190 Harvard St., Boston	18	3	3	24
Blank	7	5		12

### Secretary

Russell A. Word, 1691 Mass. Ave., Cambridge	21	4	3	28
Blank	4	4		8

### Treasurer

Daniel J. Murphy, 37 Milton St., Lawrence	20	2	3	25
Blank	4	6		10

### Auditor

Frederick P. Glazier, 12 Lincoln St., Hudson	18	4	3	25
Blank	7	4		11

### Attorney General

John Hildreth, 1866 Northampton St., Holyoke	14	3	3	20
Blank	6	5		11

### Congressman Fifth District

William N. Osgood, 613 School St., Lowell	20	3	3	26
Blank	5	5		10

### Councillor Fifth Dist.

Moorhouse Lodge			1	1
Blank	25	8	2	35

### Senator Fifth Essex

James R. Tetler, 300 Ames St., Lawrence	21	6		27
Blank	4	2		6

**Representatives in General Court**

Arthur Bower, 473 High St., Lawrence	19	4	3	26
George Bunting, 11 Annis St., Methuen	23	8	1	32
Blank	8	4	2	14

**County Commissioner**

Blank	25	8	3	36
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**State Committee**

Thomas Dow, 45 Annis	1			1
James W. Riley, 51 Oakland	1			1

**Delegates to State Convention**

Thomas Dow	2			2
John May	1			1
Wm. Brady	1			1
Moorhouse Lodge			1	1
Blank				

**Town Committee**

Robert Gordon, 11 High	1			1
Elliot P. Spooner, 57 Hampshire	1			1
Wm. Brady, 6 Pelham	1			1
Harry Ramsbotham, 6 Mystic	1			1
Moorhouse Lodge			2	2

These five persons constitute Town Committee.

**Warrant for Town Meeting Oct. 19, 1914**

**File 14 No. 27.**

**Essex SS:-** To Harry Nimmo one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen in said County, - **Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required forthwith to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in the elections and Town affairs, to meet at the town hall in said Methuen, on Monday evening the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October 1914, at 7.30 o'clock P.M. then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:-

Article 1 To see if the town will vote to amend its vote passed at the adjourned town meeting of March 14, 1914 under Article 51 of the Warrant for said meeting, wherein, for the purpose

of raising money for the purpose of water extensions voted at the said meeting the Town Treasurer was directed to issue and sell notes or bonds of the town to the amount of \$8000.<sup>00/100</sup> payable in annual installments of \$500.<sup>00</sup> each for sixteen successive year, by providing for the payment of said loan in five years, as required by Massachusetts acts of 1913 Chap. 719, Section 6 Subsection 3 or taken any other action in relation thereto.

- Article 2 By request of the board of fire engineers, to see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1000.<sup>00</sup> for repairs on the fire station and fire apparatus, the money to be expended by the board of fire engineers.
- Article 3 To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to make a division of precinct one, into convenient voting precincts.
- Article 4 By request of Joseph M. Emsley and others to see if the town will vote to change the water pipes on Ashford Avenue from the residence of Joseph M. Emsley to No. 63 Ashland avenue and make an appropriation of \$350.<sup>00</sup> for the same.
- Article 5 By request of Charles M. Sawyer and others to see if the town will vote to install a street light in the vicinity of Dowding's turnout on Lowell street and appropriate \$16.00 for the same.
- Article 6 By request of Robert W. Dow to see if the town will vote to purchase six sets of single harness and make an appropriation of \$175.<sup>00</sup> for the same.
- Article 7 To see if the town will vote to close the offices in the Town House on Wednesday afternoons from Oct 15<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Article 9 To see if the town will vote to lay seven hundred and fifty feet of water main along Comet Road and appropriate seven hundred and fifty dollars for the same.
- Article 8 To see if the town will vote to lay three hundred feet of 6" water main along Orchard street and then along Plymouth street, a distance of about three hundred feet and appropriate \$600.<sup>00</sup> for the same.
- Article 10 To see if the town will vote to issue bonds, notes or scrip and fix the amount, time of payment, and rate of interest thereof and thereon for the water extensions as voted.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen this seventh day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Wm. L. Stedman      } Selectmen  
James H. Morris     } of Methuen

**Constable's Return**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:- Oct. 10, 1914.**

By virtue of the within precept I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the by-laws of the Town of Methuen by posting an attested copy of the within warrant at the Town House in Precinct One, and at the corner of Chase street and Broadway in Precinct Two, and at the polling booth on Swan street in Precinct Three on Saturday the tenth day of October instant being nine days before the day of said meeting; and I have also caused the same to be printed in the Methuen Transcript once a week for two successive weeks the last publication being Friday the sixteenth day of October instant being four days before the day of said meeting.

Harry Nimmo  
Constable of Methuen

### **Record of Special Town Meeting Oct. 19, 1914**

In pursuance of Warrant No. 27 File 14 the qualified voters of the Town of Methuen met at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday, Oct. 19, 1914 at 7.30 P.M. the Moderator, Granville E. Foss in the chair. The Warrant for the meeting was read by the Moderator and the business proceeded.

#### **Article 1 Bond Issue**

Article One being under consideration the following vote was passed by a unanimous vote. Voted – to amend the vote passed at the town meeting held March 14, 1914 under Article 51 of the Warrant for said meeting by striking out the words “at this meeting” and substituting the

words “at the adjourned meeting of March 14, 1914 under Article 51 of the Warrant for said meeting” and by striking out the words “of \$500.00, each” and substituting for the word sixteen the word “four” and by substituting the word “Five” for “4 ½” so that said vote shall read as follows:-

Voted: That for the purpose of raising money to pay for the water extensions voted at the adjourned meeting of March 14, 1914 under Article 51 of the Warrant for said meeting, the Town Treasurer is hereby directed to issue and sell notes or bonds of the town, coupon in form, to the amount of \$8,000., having interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, and payable in four annual instalments beginning one year from the date of said notes or bonds; and the proceeds of said notes or bonds are hereby appropriated for the purposes aforesaid.

#### **Article 2 Fire Station**

Voted to appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars for repairs on the fire station, and fire apparatus, the money to be expended by the board of fire engineers.

#### **Article 3 Voting Precincts**

Voted to instruct the Selectmen to make a division of Precinct One into convenient voting precincts.

Article 4    **Water pipe**

Voted to change the water pipes on Ashland avenue from the residence of Joseph M. Emsley to No. 63 Ashland Ave., and appropriate Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars for that purpose.

Article 5    **Street Lights**

Voted to install a street light in the vicinity of Dowding's turnout and appropriate Sixteen Dollars for that purpose.

Article 6    **Harnesses**

Voted, - to purchase six sets of single harness, and appropriate One Hundred and seventy five dollars therefor.

Article 7    **Wednesday Holiday**

Voted – to pass over Article 7 of the Warrant.

Article 9    **Water Pipe**

Voted to lay seven hundred and fifty feet of water main along Comet Road and appropriate Seven Hundred and fifty dollars therefor.

Article 8    **Water Pipe**

Voted to lay Three hundred feet of 6" water pipe along Orchard Street and thence along Plymouth Street a distance of about three hundred feet and appropriate Six Hundred Dollars therefor.

Article 10    **Water Loan**

Voted – by a unanimous vote – That for the purpose of raising money to pay for the water extensions voted at this meeting, the Town Treasurer is hereby directed to issue and sell notes or bonds of the Town to the amount of seventeen hundred dollars bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent per annum and payable in one year from the date thereof and the proceeds of said notes or bonds are hereby appropriated for the purposes aforesaid.

No other business appearing the meeting was adjourned,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts Warrant No. 28 File 14**



**Essex SS:-**

To Harry Nimmo one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen in said County:

**Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified by law to vote in the election of State, District and County officers, to meet and assemble at the designated polling places in precincts one, two, and three namely the town hall in voting precinct one, the basement of the Arlington school on Merrill street in voting precinct two and the polling booth on Swan Street in voting precinct three, on Tuesday the third of November next at five forty five o'clock in the forenoon to bring into the election officers their votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Congressman, Councillor, Senator, two Representatives to the General Court, County Commissioner and their votes on the following questions;

Acceptance of Chapter 217 Acts on 1914 entitled "An Act relative to vacations of laborers employed by cities and towns."

Acceptance of Chapter 688 Acts 1914 entitled "An Act to make Saturday a half holiday for laborers workmen and mechanics employed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth and otherwise to regulate their employment.

Acceptance of Chapter 790 Acts of 1914 entitled "An Act to abolish the enrolment of political parties and to limit the membership of ward and town committees". All to be voted for on one ballot. The polls may be closed at 4 o'clock P.M.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town of Methuen this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

James H. Lyons	Selectman
James H. Morris	} of
Wm. L. Stedman	Methuen

**Record of State Election Nov. 3<sup>d</sup> 1914**

At meetings of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen in the County of Essex, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts held in the respective Precincts in said Town pursuant to Warrant No. 28 File 14 on Tuesday Nov. 3<sup>d</sup> 1914 the qualified voters of said town brought in their written votes for the several officers to be balloted for, and the same were received sorted, counted, declared and registered in open Precinct meetings according to law as appears by the certified returns from said Precincts transmitted to the Town Clerk, and examined by the Selectmen and Town Clerk And according to said returns the following is the result of the election held as aforesaid.

	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>The whole number of ballots cast</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>1576</b>

### **For Governor**

Alfred H. Evans of Hadley – Pro.	13	12	4	29
Samuel W. McCall of Winchester – Rep.	494	243	141	878
Arthur E. Reimer of Boston – Soc. Labor	6	2	9	17
Samuel C. Roberts of Springfield – Socialist	26	27	59	112
Joseph Walker of Brookline – Pro.	79	29	36	144
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg – Dem.	205	84	69	358
Blank	15	12	11	38

### **Lieutenant Governor**

Edward P. Barry of Boston	174	69	58	301
Grafton D. Cushing of Boston	521	266	157	944
Arthur Howard of Salem	18	11	5	34
James P. Maguire of Boston	62	17	26	105
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown	28	31	57	116
Patrick Mulligan of Boston	2	0	8	10
Blank	33	15	18	66

### **Secretary**

Percy B. Ball of North Attleborough	31	29	61	121
Frank J. Donahue of Boston	164	56	47	267
James W. Holden of New Bedford	7	6	10	23
Albert R. Langtry of Springfield	499	242	151	892
William G. Merrill of Malden	17	13	2	32
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge	69	30	33	132
Blank	51	33	25	109

### **Treasurer**

Charles L. Burrill of Boston	504	249	153	906
Joseph M. Coldwell of Milford	30	28	59	117
Frederick Fosdick of Fitchburg	65	25	29	119
Thomas A. Frissell of Hinsdale	15	8	2	25
Karl Lindstrand of Lynn	3	3	6	12
Frederick W. Mansfield of Boston	165	59	54	278
Blank	56	37	26	119

### **Auditor**

Alonzo B. Cork of Boston	499	255	151	905
Daniel R. Donovan of Springfield	29	30	60	119
John Drysdale of North Adams	16	8	2	26
Frederick P. Glazier of Hadson	66	15	28	109
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody	3	2	8	13
Frank H. Pope of Leominster	151	53	44	248

Blank	76	46	36	156
<b>Attorney General</b>				
Henry C. Attwill of Lynn	504	252	139	895
Thomas J. Boynton of Everett	149	53	48	250
John Hildreth of Holyoke	73	26	32	131
Howard B. Rand of Haverhill	21	11	4	36
John Weaver Sherman of Boston	32	32	66	130
William Taylor of Worcester	4	2	9	15
Blank	55	33	31	119
<b>Congressman, Fifth District</b>				
J. Joseph O'Connor of Lowell	94	45	43	182
William N. Osgood of Lowell	40	14	29	83
John Jacob Rogers of Lowell	659	322	209	1190
Blank	45	28	48	121
<b>Councillor, Fifth District</b>				
Nathan K. Atkins of Swampscott	73	30	29	132
Edward G. Frothingham of Haverhill	540	252	157	949
George H. Leonard of Beverly	33	35	66	134
Charles D. Smith of Gloucester	112	47	37	196
Blank	80	45	40	165
<b>Senator Fifth District</b>				
John E. Cuddy Jr. of Lawrence	114	59	56	229
Joseph A. Murphy of Lawrence	28	23	66	117
James R. Tetler of Lawrence	657	311	188	1156
Blank	39	16	19	74
<b>Representatives in General Court Fifth Essex</b>				
Arthur Bower of Lawrence	513	272	196	981
George Bunting of Methuen	601	309	172	1082
Thomas F. Keegan of Lawrence	108	45	64	217
William E. Kuhnert of Lawrence	32	17	53	102
Matthew J. McQuade of Lawrence	125	41	30	196
Carl Vogt of Methuen	30	15	59	104
Blank	267	119	84	470
<b>County Commissioner</b>				
Edgar M. Early of Andover	147	57	56	260

Thomas A. Eastman of Beverly	66	32	30	128
Edward J. Hoar of Swampscott	34	32	63	129
Moody Kimball of Newburyport	514	240	140	894
Blank	77	48	40	165

Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen entitled “An act relative to vacations of laborers employed by cities and towns” be accepted?

Yes	260	98	87	445
No	312	188	166	726
Blank	206	123	82	411

Shall an Act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen to make Saturday a half holiday, without loss of pay, for laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by or on behalf of the Commonwealth and otherwise to regulate their employment”, be accepted?

Yes	325	165	116	606
No	330	140	139	609
Blank	183	123	155	361

Shall the Act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen providing for the abolition of party enrolment at primary elections be accepted?

Yes	480	237	185	902
No	109	52	47	208
Blank	249	120	97	466

Attest, Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

## Record of meeting of City and Town Clerks Nov. 13, 1914

**City of Lawrence  
City Clerks Office Nov. 13 1914.**

At a meeting of the City Clerk of Lawrence and the Town Clerk of Methuen, said Town and Wards One and Two of the said City of Lawrence forming the Fifth Essex Representatives District held at noon this day in accordance with the provisions of Section 257 Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws, upon comparing the transcript of the returns, the following appears as the result of the balloting for Representation in the General Court for said District at meetings held Nov. 3, 1914.

	Ward 1			Ward 2			Methuen			Total
	Pre. 1	Pre. 2	Pre. 3	Pre. 4	Pre. 5	Pre. 6	Pre. 1	Pre. 2	Pre. 3	
Arthur Bower of Lawrence	315	72	291	121	134	212	513	272	196	2116
George Bunting of Methuen	277	87	250	121	147	233	601	309	172	2197

Thomas F. Keegan of Law.	169	181	211	175	274	287	108	45	64	1514
William E. Kuhnert of Law.	76	10	69	13	30	23	32	17	53	323
Matthew J. McQuade Law.	159	163	177	159	280	369	125	41	30	1503
Carl Vogt of Methuen	76	14	60	10	21	23	30	15	59	308
Blank	120	101	152	117	134	133	267	119	84	1227

Total number of ballots,

In accordance with the foregoing returns certificates of election were this day issued to the two persons having the highest number of votes for Representatives in the General Court for the Fifth Essex Representative District, to wit.

Arthur Bower of Lawrence

and

George Bunting of Methuen

Attest,

Edward J. Wade – City Clerk of Lawrence

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk of Methuen