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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., under emergency rules, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) recognizing Joseph P. Landry on his thirty-six years of service to the town of Stow;

Joseph
Landry.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Owen Bailey on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Owen
Bailey.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Finnian Thomas Carlson on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Finnian
Carlson.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Charlie Maier on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Charlie
Maier.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hill of Ipswich) congratulating Chris Maio on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Chris
Maio.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Mirra of Georgetown, Hill of Ipswich and Nguyen of Andover) congratulating Alan Benson on his retirement as Town Administrator for the town of Boxford;

Alan
Benson.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Roy of Franklin and Murray of Milford) congratulating Nicholas Tomasetti on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Nicholas
Tomasetti.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) congratulating Patti Wyllie on the occasion of her retirement from the town of Franklin;

Patti
Wyllie.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Howitt of Seekonk and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3970) of Steven S. Howitt and Paul R. Feeney (by vote of the town) that the town of Rehoboth be authorized to appoint a

Rehoboth,—
treasurer/
collector.

treasurer/collector in said town. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3971) of William C. Galvin (by vote of the town) relative to the appointment of retired police officers in the town of Canton. To the committee on Public Service.

Canton,—
retired police
officers.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Kelcourse of Amesbury and Senator DiZoglio presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James M. Kelcourse and Diana DiZoglio (by vote of the town) that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land to the town of Salisbury for affordable housing purposes; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Salisbury,—
land.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2488) of Ryan C. Fattman and Brian W. Murray (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Milford to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be consumed on the premises, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Milford,—
liquor license.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the petition of James K. Hawkins and others relative to pesticides. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Pesticides.

By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, for the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 3688) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the threat posed by nuclear weapons to the citizens of the Commonwealth,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Nuclear
weapons.

By Ms. Ehrlich of Marblehead, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on Senate, No. 1330 and House, No. 2190, a Bill to repeal Chapter 404 of the Acts of 2008 (House, No. 2190) [Local Approval Received].

North Andover,—
town manager.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1366 and House, No. 3867, a Bill authorizing the conveyance of a conservation restriction on the land known as Inter Lochen Park in the town of Sharon (House, No. 3867) [Local Approval Received].

Sharon,—
land.

By Mr. Roy of Franklin, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Cambridge to utilize certain land

Cambridge,—
land.

used for park, playground or recreation uses for general municipal purposes, including but not limited to school purposes, and for installation of subsurface geothermal wells in certain land used for park, playground or recreation uses (House, No. 3768) [Local Approval Received].

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Motion to Discharge a Certain Matter in the Orders of the Day

The Senate amendment of the House Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3903, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was discharged from its position in the Orders of the Day and considered forthwith, under suspension of Rule 47, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett.

Municipal roads and bridges.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment, in concurrence, the same member moved that the House concur with the Senate in its amendment with a further amendment striking out the text (inserted by amendment by the Senate) and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 3951; and the further amendment was adopted.

The House then concurred with the Senate in its amendment, as amended. Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the further amendment.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill amending the charter of the town of Grafton (House, No. 3705), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third reading bill.

House bills

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Auburn the Robert Conroy Memorial bridge (House, No. 3459);

Second reading bills.

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Needham the Private First Class David "Damon" Borrelli memorial bridge (House, No. 3469);

Designating a certain bridge in the towns of Middleborough and Carver as the Medal of Honor bridge (House No. 3476);

Retirement of officer Sean Murphy [sic] (House, No. 3764); and

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Wilmington as the Trooper Thomas W. Devlin memorial bridge (House, No. 3942);

Severally were read a second time; and they were ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill establishing residency requirements for the offices of mayor, city council, and school committee in the city of Revere (House, No. 2654), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Revere,—residency requirement.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 3965), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Recess.

At twenty minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until one o'clock P.M.; and at sixteen minutes before two o'clock the House was called to order with Ms. Hogan of Stow in the Chair.

Recess.

Quorum.

As required under the provision of Emergency Rule 2(4), a roll call was taken for the purpose of ascertaining the presence of a quorum; and on the roll call 159 members were recorded as being in attendance.

Quorum,—
yea and nay
No. 69.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 69](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore a quorum was present.

Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (House, No. 3903, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Municipal
roads and
bridges.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 23 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Subsequently, the Senate having concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, the bill (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage.

After remarks on the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a "loan" bill as defined by Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 160 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(state loan),—
yea and nay
No. 70.

[See [Yea and Nay No. 70](#) in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At eight minutes after two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading (Ms. Hogan of Stow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

