

BOSTON TOWN RECORDS, 1761.

[464.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at the Town House on Monday the Ninth Day of March Anno Dom<sup>o</sup>. 1761.

The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Firewards and upon sorting them it appeared, that

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Joseph Jackson Esq.  
John Scollay Esq.  
[467.] Royal Tyler Esq.  
Cap<sup>t</sup>. Newman Greenough  
M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Austin  
Cap<sup>t</sup>. Solomon Davis  
M<sup>r</sup>. William Cooper  
M<sup>r</sup>. John Mico Wendell  
M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Jackson  
John Rowe Esq.  
M<sup>r</sup>. Henderson Inches

were chosen for the ensuing Year.

The Committee Appointed to draw up a By Law which shall oblige the Inhabitants to keep one Ladder at least at their several Dwelling Houses, Reported as their opinion that such a Law will prove fruitless, and that instead thereof it would be better for the Town to provide about Sixty good Ladders, to be distributed & deposited at convenient places in the Town, and that it be recommended by the Town to the several Fire Meetings to provide themselves with such a number as they may think necessary for their mutual safety, they also apprehend that about three to each Meeting, with the Town Stock would answer all the ends desired. — which report was read and accepted — whereupon it was

Voted, that the Selectmen be and hereby are desired and impower'd to provide as many Ladders for the Town as with the present stock shall make up the number Sixty.

And whereas it would be for the better security of the Town, if the several Fire Societys would provide three Ladders each, to be lodged in such places as they shall Judge most convenient, therefore.

Voted, that such provision be recommended by the Selectmen.

[483.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, legally qualified and Warned in Publick Town Meeting Assembled at the Town House on Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup>. Day of May AD. 1761.

Voted, that the Report be accepted, and that the Selectmen be desired to see the same carryed into execution, and also to agree with some suitable Person or Persons for the digging one or more Wells, that in case of Fire in that part of the Town there may be a constant reservoir of Water for the supply of Engines &c.