

**Selectmen's Meeting  
Virtual Meeting**

**January 12th, 2021  
Meeting is Recorded**

*Under Governor Baker's emergency "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. C. 30A, Section 20", issued March 12, 2020 and in effect until termination of the State of Emergency: This meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be conducted virtually with all members present via GoToMeeting at 7:00 P.M. Please see meeting information below:*

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**Present: Chairman Plasko, Vice Chairman Maloney, Selectmen Lane, Selectmen Hajjar, Selectmen Donohue, General Manager Tony Mazzucco, and Jess Jozwik**

*The meeting was convened at 7:00pm on January 12th, 2021 via GoToMeeting.*

Ms. Reiss, Health Department Director, submitted an update on the COVID19 pandemic. Norwood's rate of positive COVID19 cases rose dramatically after Thanksgiving, but has been level since then. Actions taken to reduce the risk of spreading haven been taken, such as, reducing access to Town Hall, closing buildings to the public. The Board of Health encourages people to reduce their interaction with others when possible. The vaccine is being rolled out to senior citizens and those with multiple comorbidities.

The Selectmen thanked Ms. Reiss for all of her (and the Health Department's) hard work during this pandemic.

Mr. Maguire, Airport Manager, submitted an update for the Runway Project. Mr. Maguire explained that there is not a runway project at the moment, however, there is an environmental assessment project, and a post construction monitoring project. Mr. Mazzucco explained that the runway project in question was the paving of the 300 foot strip. Mr. Maguire explained that that project had been moved down to 2026.

Mr. Slater gave an update on the Coakley Middle School Project. Mr. Slater announced the team that has been put together for this project. The Owner's Project Manager is Compass Management and the Architect Engineer is AI3. This is the same team that built the High School. 10 different sites were considered for the new Middle School but it was ultimately decided that the current site is the best place for the new school to be built. Based on the timeline presented, construction should begin in the summer of 2023 and be completed by the fall of 2025.

Russ Maguire, Airport Manager, notified the Board of a reserve fund transfer in the amount of \$35,000 for repair of the security system damage. Mr. Maguire explained the reserve fund transfer is due to a security breach and some property damage which happened on Monday, January 4th, around 1:50 P.M. A motorist drove through vehicle Security Gate 1, which prompted

a response from airport management, flight level, air traffic control tower personnel, Norwood Police and Fire, and the transportation security administration. During this, all of the runways were shutdown as a safety precaution, and were reopened at 3:55 P.M. On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Vice Chairman Maloney, the Board voted unanimously to approve the reserve fund transfer.

Chairman Plasko asked if anyone had any opinions on the proposed reduction of the Town Meeting Quorum. On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Lane, the board voted unanimously to put the information on a future agenda for discussion.

The Special Town Meeting Warrant was submitted for Signature of the Board. On motion of Vice Chairman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve the submission.

Mr. Mazzucco submitted a recommendation to accept a \$96,376.00 donation from National Grid for the purpose of resurfacing the streets on this year's annual resurfacing projects. On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to accept the submission.

Ms. Giovani submitted a request to hold car washes on Saturday June 10th, and Saturday August 28th, 2021 from 8 A.M. to 3 P.M. for Norwood Boys Soccer. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request.

Mr. Walsh, Building Commissioner, submitted a monthly report of department activity. On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to file the report.

On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Lane, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

**A True Record.**

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant