

Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 in Rm 34, Norwood Memorial Municipal Building, with Pledge of Allegiance, moment of prayer and reflection.

Present: Chairman Paul Bishop, Selectmen William Plasko, Thomas Maloney and David Hajjar. Assistant General Manager Bernie Cooper, Clerk Christina Mulvehill and Assistant Aoife Kelly.

Appointments

6:45 P.M. – Toni Eosco, Norwood Historical Commission:

Mrs. Eosco and Ms. Howard were in attendance to request support of the Selectmen on an application they will be submitting to the Community Preservation Committee with regards to the Morse House. Ms. Eosco is a member of the Historical Commission and is also their representative on the Community Preservation Committee. The request is for The application is to obtain funding for a comprehensive feasibility study and master plan for the Morse House property on Washington Street. The amount requested is \$50,000. The Norwood Historical Commission seeks to preserve this resource and optimize its use by the community at large. The feasibility and master plan would cover complete assessment of the property and historical building's existing condition inside and outside, recommendations of work and associated estimated cost, to bring the building into compliance with current codes and incorporation of twenty-first century needs. Ms. Howard spoke briefly about the Morse House, the back of which was built in 1676 and the front of which was built in 1868. It is historic and significant to the town of Norwood and deserves to be preserved and rehabilitated. Selectman Hajjar made a motion, which Selectman Maloney seconded, to support this request for CPA funding. After some discussion, the motion and second were withdrawn. On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to table until March 3, 2020 for further review.

7:00 P.M. – (cont'd) Show Cause Hearing, Courtyard Mgt. Corp. dba Courtyard by Marriott, 300 River Ridge Road:

MGL C, 138, Section 64 -Sale of alcoholic beverages to a person under the age of 21. (Cont'd from February 4, 2020) Attorney John Connell, Manager James Wefer, and Det. Brenden Greene attended. Det. Greene gave the report on the incident. Attorney Connell asked the detective if the Town of Norwood Police Department follows ABCC guidelines for compliance checks. Det. Greene said the department adheres to its own standards. Attorney Connell pointed out that ABCC compliance check guidelines recommend the operative enter an establishment without identification and if asked to produce identification, the operative should exit the establishment once. Asking for identification shows there is no intent on the part of the server to sell alcohol to a minor and they are in compliance. Det. Greene explained that the Norwood guidelines have the operative entering an establishment with identification and producing that identification if asked, as opposed to leaving once they have been asked for proof of age. Mr. Wefer said he has held training sessions with the employees and the server was TIPS certified. Selectman Maloney made a motion to send a letter of reprimand, to which there was no second. On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to suspend the liquor license for one day on Monday, March 23, 2020.

7:15 P.M. – Mark Ryan, DPW Director/Town Engineer:

Mr. Ryan gave highlights of the department's activities. This past week the Norwood Fire Department provided First Aid, CPR and AED training to half of the DPW staff and next week the remainder of the employees will be trained. This was an excellent training program and shout out to FFs Seamus Murphy, Patrick McDonough, Mark McCarthy and Chris Queally. Mr. Ryan gave an overview of snow and ice operations and highway and parks operations. The water department has also been busy, as has the cemetery. The Engineering Department has been busy preparing the resurfacing report which was submitted to Mr. Mazzucco and they are now preparing plans. Mr. Ryan said he is still awaiting a Memorandum of Understanding to be finalized on the Storm Water Connection with the town of Sharon.

7:30 P.M. – James Collins, Light Department Superintendent:

Mr. Collins gave an overview of the department activities starting with an update on the 115KV Transmission Line Reliability Project. There are several other ongoing projects in town including construction at 862-878 Washington Street, Skating Club of Boston, St. Catherine of Siena Convent. The Munis Conversion is ongoing and the Go Live date has been postponed. Mr. Collins will provide the Board with the new electric and water bill format when it has been completed. The Light Department relocated to 136 Access Road during the week of January 17-21 and there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house February 29, 2020.

New Business

Tony Mazzucco, General Manager:

- a. On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve re-appointment of Judith Howard to the Historical Commission for the term expiring in February 2023.
- b. On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to accept under Chapter 44, § 53A Submitting a donation of \$3,000 from TD Bank of Norwood to help defray costs of the Recreation Department's 2020 Holiday Extravaganza and 2020 Norwood Day.
- c. On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve request to the Board to declare as surplus the attached list of Recreation Department Workout equipment, so as to allow the equipment to be auctioned with proceeds returning to the General Fund.
- d. The Light Department is retaining ownership of the Central Street property and in order for it to remain occupied, the Human Resources Department will be relocating to that address. The linemen's quarters will be used for storage.

Town Common & Bandstand Applications:

On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve from Daniel Beal, 153 Vernon Street, Saturday, August 15, 2020 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. for a wedding ceremony.

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to approve request Rita Russo, 40 Pine Street, Friday, July 3, 2020 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. for the Patriotic Rosary and also to place a sandwich board to advertise it two weeks prior to the event.

Michael Gilio, Race Director:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to approve request to hold a road race fundraiser on Saturday, May 23, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. starting at St. Timothy's.

Mahesh Pant, Himalayan Lions Club, New England:

On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to table for one week application to use the Morse House, every Saturday beginning on March 7, 2020 for the remainder of the year to provide Nepali language practice to children.

Michael Poirier, Poirier Sales, 1015 Washington Street:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve two One Day WMB Licenses: Thursday, February 27, 2020 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 29, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Attorney Jessica Deratzian, Esq., Connor & Hilliard, PC:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to approve request to move Class I License for DCD H, Norwood, Inc., dba Genesis of Norwood/ Boch Hyundai from 391 Boston Providence Turnpike to 1201 Boston Providence Turnpike.

Unfinished Business

Draft PBCC Bylaw Update:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to table discussion for one week.

Memoranda

Building Inspector Mark Chubet:

On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to file Building Report for January, 2020.

Selectmen's Minutes:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to file as submitted Meeting minutes from November 12, 19 and 26 2019.

Selectman Maloney

150th Celebration

Meeting will take place on Sunday February 23, 2020 at 2 p.m. at the Public Safety Building Meeting Room. All welcome if they would like to help out with the Town's 150th Celebration and we will have cake.

Catherine Seastedt

Winner of the 2020 Massachusetts Recreation and Park Association's New Professional of the Year Award. Congrats to Katie and to Travis.

Circle of Hope

Dancing with the Stars participant Jeff Mahoney having a spaghetti supper at the Mug n' Muffin on Wednesday, February 19, 2020.

Selectman Hajjar

Congrats to Katie

Circle of Hope

All Dancing with the Stars participants are winners.

Agenda Item

Request to add Draft Liquor Regulations to the agenda for next week. Draft to be discussed next week then schedule a public hearing for all licensees on March 11, 2020, with a vote on the final version on March 31, 2020. Selectman Maloney is ok with the timeline but would like the document to show what regulations on a local level and not what is already covered in MGL.

Chairman Bishop

One Day Liquor License-Circle of Hope Fundraiser – Jeff Mahoney

Next Wednesday, February 19th at the Mug n Muffin

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to approve request for a one day WMB License Wednesday, February 19, 2020 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Mug n Muffin, 716 Washington Street.

Boston Post Cane

On February 7th, with Keri McCarthy and Trish Monahan presented the Boston Post Cane to Fred L, the oldest Norwood Resident. Fred turned 107 on February 6th but is very sharp for his age. Fred is currently recuperating at the Walpole Health Care.

Adjournment

No other business being presented for consideration, on motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 8:25 p.m.

A True Record.

ATTEST: _____
Clerk