

Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 in Room 34, the Harry B. Butters Chambers, Norwood Memorial Municipal Building, with the Pledge of Allegiance, and a silent moment of prayer and reflection. Meeting is Recorded.

Present: Chairman William J. Plasko, Helen Abdallah Donohue, Paul A. Bishop, Allan D. Howard and Thomas F. Maloney. Also present General Manager John J. Carroll, Clerk Frances L. Jessoe and Assistant Christina Mulvehill.

Appointments

7:00 P.M. –Supt. Travis Farley, Recreation Department:

Mr. Farley gave highlights of his monthly report of department's activities. The Civic will switch to school year hours. Halloween events will include Friday Spooktacular on Friday, October 20, 2017 and Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 21, 2017. New ceiling tiles have been installed in the Civic building and the front steps repair has been completed. The fall/winter guide was sent out in the mail and please contact Recreation Department if you did not get one. Selectman Maloney asked how his first fiscal year went. Mr. Travis said it is going well and he has a lot of support with Tom McQuaid and John Carroll. Selectman Maloney asked about fees collected. They are doing well in the recreation daily fees. Selectman Bishop said things are going great because of people like Mr. Farley who is so upbeat and developing events and programs for family.

7:15 P.M.- Stanley Gaw-Norwood Freemasons:

RE: Children's Identification Program

Deputy Grand Master Robert Vartamian thanked the Board for the opportunity to come before them. He highlighted the CHIPS event being held this Saturday and is open to the public. It provides child identification packages in case of emergency. He spoke with Chief Brooks about this and thanked the Town for its support. Chairman Plasko thanked him for his work.

New Business

2018 Liquor Licenses:

For approval, Licenses for Package Store, AAB & WMB Restaurant AAB & WMB, Innholder, and Clubs for year 2018. Signatures have been digitally scanned. List of licensees attached. On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted 4-0 to approve Package Store licenses for 2018. Selectman Donohue abstained. On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve Innholder and Club licenses for 2018.

Michael Morrison, 11 Varwood Circle:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve request to use Town Common Gazebo for wedding photos on Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 2:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Special Town Meeting Warrants-Board's Position:

Special Town Meeting #1

Article 1 On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted 4-1 in favor. borrowing for Blue Hills Technical High School repair. Selectman Donohue abstained.

Special Town Meeting Warrants-Board's Position-(cont'd):

Article 2 Purchase of Property: Selectman Maloney said the Town would regain control over its own zoning and if it becomes residential, they could determine what type of residential. He intends to support it. Selectman Bishop said this was not an easy decision but he would support going forward to purchase the property, as it is a opportunity for the Town to control its destiny. Selectman Donohue said it is too much of a financial burden on the taxpayers in the town. Chairman Plasko confirmed that the estimates on the price are in the ballpark and that land has been on the town open space and recreation plan to be acquired. He is concerned about how a purchase at this time will affect our operating budgets. Another concern is maintaining the property and the current owners spend \$230,000 per year. The building is solid but to do some basic work would cost \$1.5 million. The Chairman will go along with the purchase for tonight but he will look into it further. On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted 4-1 to support the Purchase of property. Selectman Donohue opposed.

Special Town Meeting # 2

Article 1 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to support petitioning legislature for additional beer and wine licenses in the Town.

Article 2 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to support petitioning legislature for maximum of two beer and wine licenses for Norwood Commerce Center.

Article 3 On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to support Treasurer to apply premium to bond to offset borrowing.

Article 4 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to support \$30,000 for the Planning Board for an Open Space Plan.

Article 5 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to support rezoning 238 Pleasant Street from Residential to Business Zoning district.

Article 6 On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted 4-0 to support \$80,000 for preschool staff. Selectman Donohue abstained. She questioned this not being on the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 7 The Board took no action on the additional funds for English Language Learning teacher.

Article 8 Selectman Donohue made a motion with no second to take no position. On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted 4-0 to support additional funds. Selectman Donohue abstained.

Article 9 On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to support Library salaries additional funds of \$5k.

Article 10 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to support \$45,000 for Library roof top units.

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Special Town Meeting Warrants-Board's Position-(cont'd):

Article 11 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted 4-1 to support appropriating \$60,000 for DPW litigation. Selectman Howard opposed.

Article 12 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to support funding of \$45,000 to review our information technology system and make recommendations.

Article 13 On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to support Loading System for Fire Department ambulance.

Article 14 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to take no action on appropriating funds for FY '18 salaries and costs related to settlement of Fire Department Contract.

Article 15 On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to support funding replacement of Computer Department air conditioning units. \$60,000.

Article 16 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to support FY 2018 General Government Wage and Salaries to fund a reclassification in the Managers office.

Article 17 On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to support appropriation for FY 2018 Manager's Salary account for payout and increase in future salary.

Article 18 On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to support funding for FY 2018 Wiring Inspector.

Article 19 On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to support funding Unpaid Bills, with the amount to be determined.

Cemetery Deeds:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, second by Maloney voted to sign:

Kathleen M. Ducharme, 137 Fulton Street to Lot C3-34

Ryan L. Pinette, 4617 Welch Place, Los Angeles, CA 90027 to Lot C3-25

Coleman Folan, 37 Wheelock Avenue to Lot C3-22

Elaine Posner, 13 High Pine Drive, Plymouth, MA 02360 to Lot C3-21.

Jim Clifford, 31 Buckingham Road:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to file thank you to Board and DPW for repaving area around Guild St. and Central St.

Brian Fagan, Manager, Norwood Lodge B/P.O. Elks #1124:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve request for an automatic amusement license for one video game in the members lounge.

Selectmen's Meeting-New Business (cont'd)

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Margaret Thomas, METCO Director:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve request for a letter from the Board to be placed in the conference booklet as they are having their 33rd Educators Conference at the Four Points.

Bertolent Pappas, 81 Mora Street, #2, Dorchester, MA:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to set hearing on request for a CV License to operate Buffalos Pizza and Sub, 884 Washington Street.

Unfinished Business

Olga A. Abdallah, Chair, South Norwood Committee:

Submitting request for a handicap parking space in front of the Italian Social Club on Washington Street or Sturtevant. A member of the club is disabled and the Health Department uses the club for its blood pressure clinic, which would help visitors with handicaps. The Manager submitted a change in the Traffic Rules and Regulations adding a handicapped spot. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve.

Supt. Mark Ryan, Town Engineer, DPW:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to file thank you from Pat Berger, Business Manager of Norwood Country Club to all who helped alleviate the problem with flooding at Norwood Golf Club from the beaver problem.

Memoranda

Selectmen's Meetings

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve Board minutes of August 8 and 22, 2017 and September 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2017.

Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Maloney

Casey Smith

Article about her on the Stonehill Lacrosse Team

Selectman Donohue

Frank Simone Charitable Fund

She attended event last night with Mr. Carroll.

Selectman Bishop

One Day Liquor

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve One Day AAB License for Knights of Columbus, Saturday October 21, 2017.

Waste Management

Thank you for Pocket Park donation.

Public Works Department

Thank you Mark Ryan and especially Nick Houston and George Georgeouloulos.

Selectmen's Addenda-Selectman Bishop (cont'd)

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Asphalt Plant on Pleasant Street

Complaints of rucks coming in at night after hours of operation. The Manager will talk to Mr. Lorusso.

Hindu Holiday Diwali

Happy Diwali. Event at Norwood High School this Sunday.

Manager's Agenda

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to sign Amendment to Traffic Rules and Regulations for Sturtevant Ave.

Adjournment

No other business being presented for consideration, on motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 8:10 p.m.

A True Record.

ATTEST: _____
Assistant