

Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 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, Selectmen Paul A. Bishop, Allan D. Howard and Thomas F. Maloney. Also present General Manager Tony Mazzucco, Clerk Frances L. Jessoe and Assistant Christina Mulvehill.

Absent: Selectman Helen Abdallah Donohue

7:00 P.M. – Chief William G. Brooks III, NPD:

Reference was made to monthly report of department's activities. Citizen's police academy starts March 6, 2018 and runs for six weeks-8 Monday nights. Each session is a couple of hours and he discussed the academy. He spoke about ongoing programs in the department. They will be offering a rape defense course for women at Norwood High School. He referred to the independent evidence audit and the score was 100%. This is due to the hard work of Officer Steve Begley assisted by Officer Brian Riley. The One Mind Campaign requirements have been met by the department and discussion ensued. He spoke about the traffic fatalities. A week ago Sunday night an older woman crossing Washington Street going to St. Catherine's was struck by a northbound vehicle. There are no indications of substance abuse or speed or reckless operation and the investigation is under way and the operator stayed at the scene and was fully cooperative. This woman passed away from her injuries. Last Tuesday night at 1:15 a.m. there was a fatal head-on crash on Walpole Street near George Willett Parkway between a pickup heading south with one male driver and a car with three young people heading north with a 20 year old female at the wheel. The two front seats occupants were killed and the passenger in rear was critically injured. The driver of the truck was injured but not life threatening. Chief explained that investigations are complex of this nature are under the command of District Attorney Mike Morrissey. Detective Giacoppo is our primary investigator. He expects it to take at least a couple of months to complete the investigation and the reports. He hears nothing but compliments about the police officers performance at that scene. He is proud of the first responders. He will meet first with the families before any information comes out on this investigation. Selectman Howard asked what can be done to encourage the use of seatbelts. Chief said drawing attention to the issue is important. The statute in Massachusetts is a secondary enforcement meaning they can only issue citation if they have already pulled the driver over. Selectman Howard recommended people contact legislators to change this. Chief said seatbelts absolutely save lives and should be worn by everyone. Selectman Bishop asked about making that particular part of the road where the accident occurred safer. There have been many fatalities in that spot. Chief said he would have to talk to the Town Engineer and also give that some thought. He's not sure anything could be done about the shape of the road but signage could be an option. Chairman Plasko suggested barriers and fluorescent lights on the town property on the southbound side of 1A in that area. Selectman Maloney said there was a candlelight vigil Sunday night with 80 or more people attending. Please thank Detective Sarah Lyden and the two officers who crossed the participants safely. Chairman Plasko inquired about the five investigations on liquor matters referenced in his report. He said that in the past the Board was always given this information and asked the Chief to provide those reports to the Selectmen on a timely basis. Chief Brooks said they will do that.

7:15 P.M. – Chief Anthony J. Greeley, NFD:

Reference was made to monthly report of department's activities. Chief Greeley said right now there is a working fire at Old Derby Village. He said this has been a busy month. Chief Greeley spoke about the traffic fatality that occurred on Route 1A. They worked together with the Police Department. He said following these incidents they bring in support teams the next morning. He said on Thursday Fire Fighter Dave Lazzaro brought a support team in to speak to the responders. He said that we have two new firefighters in the department.. They came to Norwood having already been trained. Firefighter Charles King graduated January 22, 2018 from the academy. Fire fighters Mike Motta retired February 3rd. The

Chief Greeley (cont'd)

Chief Greeley gave some fire prevention tips regarding space heaters, smoke detectors, candles, etc. Selectman Maloney is looking forward to meeting the new firefighters and asked the Chief to bring them in.

7:30 P.M. – P.H. Norwood 1420 Realty Ventures Nominee Trust, 1412-1420 Boston Prov.Turnpike:

Notice was read and public hearing was declared open on the following: the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Norwood will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 34, Selectmen's Chambers, Norwood Town Hall, on application of Norwood 1420 Realty Ventures Nominee Trust, P.O. Box 262, Norwood, MA for storage of 200 gallons above ground and 64,000 gallons underground of regular, premium and diesel gas stored at 1412-1420 Boston Providence Turnpike, nearest cross street Sumner Street as shown on plan on file with the Town Clerk, Room 32, Norwood Memorial Municipal Building, and available for inspection. Representing the applicant was Atty. David Hern. There were also principals representing BJ's Gas in attendance. They outlined the request for the tanks on the site on Route 1.

Chief Greeley said they have not received a detailed plan yet but typically at this point the contractor would come in with a detailed plan and sit down with the Fire Department. Additionally the Fire Department will ask that they install petro bladders. This is a third layer of protection for the environment. He showed a picture of the petro bladder that the department has been requesting of applicants for the last twenty years. Chairman Plasko addressed Attorney Hern about the petro bladder. Mr. Distefano of their Engineering firm said that they did plan to install the petro guard liner with the tanks which meet all state and federal regulations. Chairman asked for public comments as this is a public hearing. John McLean, 185 Sumner Street asked if this is the largest storage tank. Chief did not know the answer but said typically the stations average upwards of 40k gallons. Seeing no other comments, on motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to close the public hearing. On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve the application subject to approve of the Fire Department and any other issues such as conservation, etc. as mentioned by Chief Greeley. Chief said they have done many of these projects in the recent past. He will find out the average size of gas stations storage tanks.

7:45 P.M. -David Thomson, Superintendent of Schools, Paul Riccardi, Director of Building and Grounds:

They requested a vote of the Board to submit a Statement of Interest for Replacement of the Coakley Middle School. The MSBA has started the process of accepting SOI for new construction on Jan. 5, 2018. Closing date is April 6, 2018. Dr. Thomson and the School Department are looking for support of the selectmen on the statement of interested on the Coakley middle school. Mr. Riccardi said that the process is all the town boards agree then they submit the statement of interest. It takes MSBA about one year to choose then the town does a feasibility study on its dime and that gets reimbursed. The project is estimated at about \$87 million. Mr. Riccardi said no sight was defined per say but they discussed building behind on the field. As part of this project, one of the fields would be turned into a turf field. Mr. Riccardi said if we get accepted, the soonest we could be in the ground is 2022. The range is about 50-52 percent reimbursement from the state. Selectman Maloney said he is supportive but he thinks it will be about \$100 million to build. He asked if there are advantages to doing it on our own. Mr. Riccardi spoke about the HVAC system at Coakley.

Chairman Plasko said the Town should not end the discussion at the signing of this statement of interest. The issue is overcrowding currently – why wait. Is it better to do it on our own. Dr. Thomson said signing this does not negate doing it on our own. Selectman Howard asked how much repairs today would cost. Mr. Riccardi suggested throwing any money into this building is a waste. He described all the faults of the building. Selectman Maloney served on this school facilities study committee. Selectman Bishop said this is a building that must be replaced and he supports the statement of interest. Chairman agrees but asks if we should be doing this now. Chairman Plasko hopes to get back together after tonight and get some models of what is the best thing for the town. On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to authorize the Norwood School Department to submit a Statement of Interest for Replacement of the Coakley Middle School to the Mass. School Building Authority. The vote was unanimous with 4 members present.

New Business

Car Washes:

On motion of Selectman Bishop seconded by Selectman Maloney voted to approve the following:
NHS Boys Lacrosse, Saturday, May 19, 2018.
NHS Boys Varsity Soccer, Saturday, June 23, 2018
NHS Girls Soccer, Saturday, June 30, 2018
NHS Girls Basketball, Saturday, July 14, 2018
NHS Boys JV Soccer, Saturday, September 15, 2018

Cindy America and Marc DuBois, 22 Churchill Road, Lakeville, MA:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve application to use the Town Common/Bandstand for a wedding ceremony, Saturday, August 18, 2018 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Krystal Arruda, 202C Bahama Drive:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectmen Bishop, voted to approve application to use the Town Common/Bandstand for a wedding ceremony Saturday, September 29, 2018 from noon to 12:45 p.m.

Carrie Chadbourne, Licensing Compliance, Outback:

On motion of Selectman Maloney seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to file notification of closure of Outback Steakhouse at 1212 Boston Providence Turnpike in Norwood, effective January 16, 2018. They are presently in discussions regarding transfer of the AAB License.

Filipe E. Oliveira, President, Percival Brewing Company, 85 Morse Street:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve application for an Entertainment License to have a comedy night weekdays (Thursday) from 8 to 10 p.m.

Robert F. Sullivan Sr. Manager, Comcast:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to file Municipal Emergency Reporting Procedure Reminder. Has been forwarded to Supt. Mark Ryan and Supt. James Collins.

Niall Connors, Franchise Service Manager, Verizon:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to file Submitting pursuant to MGL. C 166A, §10, Verizon New England's 2017 Form 500 for the Town of Norwood, year ending December 31.

Norwood Space Center, Tricia White, 83 Morse Street:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve request for one day malt beverage license to hold a Dancing with the Stars fundraising event for Ricky McGowan on Saturday, March 31, 2018 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.

AEI Consultants, 112 Water Street, Boston:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to file notification of air sampling at 3 residential properties adjacent to 293 Lenox Street and copy of notification to abutters. (Board of Health has received copy)

Norwood Evening Garden Club, Janice Mullen:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve to approve request to place sandwich board signs starting March 26th at the island at Nahatan and Washington Streets, the Nichols Street rotary at the high school, and the Guild triangle near Conrad's. The signs will advertise the Art in Bloom event being held on April 7th and 8th.

Rita Russo, 40 Pine Street:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve request to use the Town Common and Bandstand from 1 to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 3 for the Patriotic Rosary. Also request to place a sandwich sign on the traffic island at the corner of Washington and Nahatan Streets for 2 weeks prior to the event.

Grass Roots Cultural Center:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve request for One Day WMB Licenses on February 8, 16, and 17, 2018.

Unfinished Business

Chairman Plasko

Discussion of 2018 Board Priorities and General Manager Job Evaluation criteria. Chairman Plasko stated that he has added two items to that and asked the Board to consider this. On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve and move forward. Selectman Bishop thanked Chairman Plasko and Selectman Maloney for all their work. Selectman Maloney-submitting projects and goals 2018-2019.

Town Clerk & Accountant Position:

Chairman has been working on this and hopes to have recommendations within a few weeks. He will be working with HR regarding new job descriptions, etc. Submitting copy of the act separating Town Clerk & Accountant position, signed by the Governor which will take effect on July 1, 2018. On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to file.

Memoranda

Building Inspector Mark Chubet:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to accept monthly Building Report for January, 2018.

Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Maloney

Capital outlay meeting

Selectman Maloney said they met last night and it went over two hours. They did receive very good presentations from School Department and General Government, etc. They will be putting together a list of capital projects with emphasis on FY 19.

Selectman Bishop

Winter Concerts at High School

Greatly attended and there are two more left.

Town Hall

Condolences to Debbie Frangioso, Office Manager of the Building Department on the loss of her husband Steve on November 14.

Condolences to Matt Walsh, Asst. Building Inspector on the loss of his wife, Lisa who was buried this morning.

Condolences to Marylou Folan, Asst. Town Clerk on the loss of her husband Frannie.

Chairman Plasko

Forbes Hill Task Force:

Has started its work and has a second meeting this Thursday at 7 p.m. to be a working session at the Police Station Community Room. At the next meeting they will start having public meetings to get everyone's feedback. Please try and attend, but if you can't please submit information in writing.

Manager's Update

Happy Birthday to Town Treasurer-Mark Good

Adjournment

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 8:10 p.m.

A True Record.

ATTEST: _____
Clerk