

Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 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 Paul Bishop, Selectmen William J. Plasko, Helen Abdallah Donohue, Michael J. Lyons and Allan D. Howard. Also present General Manager John J. Carroll, Clerk Frances L. Jessoe and Assistant Christina Mulvehill.

7:00 P.M. – Mark Ryan, Supt., DPW/Town Engineer:

Mr. Ryan presented report of the department's monthly activities. Mr. Ryan informed the Board that Compass and PBCC will be here next month to go over the project. He gave the report of the new facility. They are fully moved in and operational at all three sites and things are working terrific. The crews are happy and very thankful and each day it seems more like home. He thanked all who were involved in the project. There will be an open house Sunday, November 1, 2015 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. featuring touch-a-truck, hot dogs, and a 2 p.m. dedication.

Chairman Bishop said he drove through the yard last night and all the trucks were parked inside the garage. That has been a long time coming. Selectman Plasko asked the purpose of the fence in front of the salt shed. Mr. Ryan said there is storage of miscellaneous items, traffic cones, etc. behind it that they need quick access to, but they wanted to screen it from view. There is still more landscaping to do in that area and they will be planting trees to further screen it. Selectman Plasko said what struck him was the lack of a name and the building needs a name. On motion of Selectman Plasko seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to dedicate the building the John J. Carroll Administration Building. Selectman Plasko said Mr. Carroll has been a strong administrator for this town for thirty seven years this November 20th and he has done so many fine things for this town, recently his strong leadership on the high school and now the DPW. He has built a tremendously strong and respected administrative team and that is certainly the sign of a true leader. An administration building in DPW acknowledges his experience as an administrator and his love for the public works. I think it is most appropriate that that is a place where we could honor him. Selectman Donohue told Mr. Carroll he is the third town manager she has known and she thinks he has done a wonderful job for the town of Norwood and she is very proud of him. She was also proud when the MWRA dedicated the water treatment plant to him. She thanked him for all he has done. This is a great honor. Mr. Carroll said he was very surprised and humbled and he doesn't think they should even do it. Selectman Plasko said he is fortunate enough to be the only Selectman still alive who appointed Mr. Carroll and he is prouder today of this motion than he was of that motion to hire him. Chairman Bishop said he thinks we all feel that pride. It is befitting too because Mr. Carroll spent so many years with the Town of Lexington at their public works department and was the state DPW head under the Dukakis administration. It is fine to have a treatment plant but we have a DPW building that will be called the John J. Carroll Administration Building. The Chairman reached out to Steel Art on Dean Street, who donated their time and efforts.

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Lyons, voted to accept as a Chap.44 s 53 A ½ donation to the town. Selectman Howard said it is fitting that the administration building is named after Mr. Carroll. He complimented Mr. Ryan on the landfill, saying there is plenty of room to move around and the men up there are great as usual.

Mr. Carroll said he was in town over the weekend and he looked at the Common and thought about how much he loves being here and he means that from the bottom of his heart.

Selectman Plasko asked about the trailer at the landfill. Mr. Ryan said it is the crew trailer and should be picked up later this week.

Supt. Mark Ryan (cont'd)

Selectman Donohue said the Department of Public Works earned the new building because of all the work they do taking care of the town. That was to show them how much we appreciate all that they do and to help them take care of the town.

7:20 P.M. – James Collins Supt., Light Dept. /Broadband:

James Collins presented the monthly report of department's activities. On the 115 kv line replacement, the permit for the Army Corps of Engineers was issued and they took bids last week on the construction portion which is estimated to be \$10 million. The bids range from \$5.7 million to \$10.2 million. The low bidder has a good reputation and it will save about \$4 million. This whole project will be paid for through transmission refund. The town rates don't really recover any money but it won't cost the people in town any extra. We had authorization to borrow up to \$10 million but now we won't have to borrow that much and all the money comes back to us through refunds. This is good news for taxpayers; this is not costing the town anything and the whole 115 kv line is going to be replaced. Mr. Collins handed out a summary of the cost of the project.

Kevin Shaughnessy reported on some current projects. Tomorrow they will energize the fifth of the six feeders for Eversource, which used to be NStar. The Upland Woods transformer was energized a while back and they have started working on state pole permits at Benchmark. They will be crossing over the tracks near the bridge in front of the Clapboardtree Street housing. CarMax is energized and it looks like they are ready to bring the cars in. The Herb Chambers buildings are up but there are no transformers or power there yet. The Subaru building is complete. They are just starting on conduit inspections at Endicott Woods, although it is going slowly. Mr. Shaughnessy said they energized a pretty big transformer at Home Market Foods about six weeks ago which, according to them is going to add a significant amount of load and they are already the Light Department's biggest customer. Universal Wild, 675 Canton Street is a printing company relocating some of their big printing machines from Somerville and Rockland. One reason they chose Norwood was because of our rates.

Darryl Hansen reported on the month's Broadband activity. They installed the phone system at the new DPW facility. They are working on a new phone system for the Light department and it will be the same phone system they put in the DPW. This will provide some advantages such as extension dialing between the two departments, redundancy whereby if one system is down the other will back it up, and spare parts to be used for repairs. The Town Hall has talked about also getting a new phone system, hopefully in next year's budget which would also feature extension dialing and backup of the systems. Mr. Hansen said his department is also working at Upland Woods and have hooked up three of the five new residents. They are also preparing to start servicing Endicott residents as soon as they start moving in. Mr. Hansen stated that NPATV had requested an HD channel to have their programs televised in high definition and he has been working with Jack Tolman on that. Mr. Tolman is hoping to set up a meeting with his equipment provider so we can see exactly what type of format they can hand off to us. Then they will look at transport and how to inject those channels into their system and get all the pricing that goes along with that. Mr. Hansen will keep the Board updated on this.

Selectman Lyons asked Mr. Collins if the Nuclear Plant in Plymouth has anything to do with Norwood as far as it being decommissioned over the next ten year period. Mr. Collins said the capacity costs in the region are escalating fairly rapidly over the next several years, which will make that situation worse because it will take a lot of capacity out of the region and drive the capacity cost up. Depending on what comes along to replace it, it will give people incentive to build gas fired plants because the price of capacity will be so high. Selectman Lyons mentioned talk about getting hydro power from Canada and Mr. Collins said in the past there have been hydro contracts. There is talk of putting in some lines to bring down hydro power and that would be helpful.

Selectman Plasko said the nuclear plant in Plymouth closing down will change the whole market but currently we are not invested in that facility and we don't buy anything from that facility directly.

Supt. James Collins (cont'd)

Selectman Howard asked about audible signals that will be installed at some intersections down town. Mr. Collins said parts have been ordered and are due the first week in November and should be installed a week or two after that.

7:30 P.M. (P.H.) – YKLU Food Inc., dba Olivio's Grille & Pizzeria, 1210 Boston Providence Turnpike, Kayla Marie Urio Manager:

Application for transfer of a restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages license, application for Common Victualler license and pledge of license, from Tuscany Pizzeria & Grill, Inc., 1210 Boston Providence Turnpike, Jose Torres, Manager.

Application has been made to the Licensing Board of the Town of Norwood for the transfer of the Restaurant All Alcohol Beverage License from Tuscany Pizzeria & Grill, Inc., 1210 Boston Providence Turnpike, to YKLU Food Inc., dba Olivio's Grille & Pizzeria, 1210 Boston Providence Turnpike, Kayla Marie Urio, Manager, of the license under Section 12, Chapter 138 and Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, for the sale of All Alcoholic Beverages to be drunk on the premises of 1210 Boston Providence Turnpike, Norwood, Massachusetts. Description of the premises is as follows: One story unit containing 4500 sf. Premises contains dining area, kitchen, bathrooms, one entrance/exit in front, emergency exit and loading dock in rear. Restaurant will seat 70. License is being pledged to B.B.B. & B. Corporation.

Diane Geraghty Hall was present on behalf of the applicants Kayla and Urio. They have applied for a CV License and for Transfer of AAB License from Tuscany Pizzeria & Grill. They will pledge the license to BBB&B. The property is a small leased portion of the building behind the Petco building and beside Outback that was formerly occupied by Tuscany Pizzeria and Grill. The Urios entered a purchase and sale agreement to purchase the liquor license and a good portion of the assets of the business as well as occupy the leased premises. The property contains about 4500 square feet of mostly dining area. There will be a counter service and a small bar area to store and serve the alcohol from a separate location. It is a family owned business. The Urio's have a pizzeria in Stoughton center. Mr. Urio was the manager there for five years and he purchased the restaurant last year. They plan to serve wings, pizza, dinners, and Italian fare similar to the Stoughton menu. Hours of operation will be 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday and Thursday through Saturday they plan to stay open until 1 a.m. Mr. Urio grew up in Norwood and went to Norwood High school. Mr. Urio has been working in food service for years, most recently the Ninety-Nine in Woburn where she is general manager. She is Serve Safe certified and is trained and familiar with the rules and regulations around the service of alcohol. The purchase of the liquor license is being funded with a note from the Tuscany folks to BBB&B and they are asking to pledge the license to BBB&B to secure the note.

Selectman Lyons asked if the Stoughton restaurant served alcohol. Mr. Urio said it does not. His wife does have experience with alcohol. Selectman Lyons asked if in addition to the bar area there was an area to store the alcohol on premise. Mr. Urio said there is locked storage upstairs. Selectman Lyons asked if Serve Safe did alcohol training. Ms. Urio said Serve Safe does include alcohol training and she has also been through a responsible service of alcohol course. This training is very similar to TIPS.

Selectman Donohue said on the application number 6 needs correcting where it says 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. should be 1 a.m. instead. She asked if there would be assistance to elderly and disabled customers and Mrs. Urio said there would.

Chairman Bishop reminded them there is a small note due to the Light Department. He confirmed with the Urios that anyone coming into contact with alcohol would be trained. Chairman Bishop added that this has always been a difficult location to survive in and asked what they bring to the table to change that. Mr. Urio said amazing food and twenty seven flavors of wings.

There being no comments from the public, on motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to close the hearing. And on motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve the CV License and the Transfer of AAB license.

New Business

Norwood Cultural Council:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lyons, voted to appoint Tammy and Brooke Odstrchel to the Council.

Paul V. Shaughnessy, 129 Mylod Street:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Lyons, voted to accept with regrets notice of resignation from the Airport Commission effective October 21, 2105 and send letter of thanks for service.

Edmund W. Mulvehill, Jr. Commander, Norwood American Legion Post No. 70:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lyons, voted to approve request for a parade permit for the annual Veterans' Day activities on Wednesday, November 11, 2015.

Norwood Knights of Columbus, Council No. 252:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to approve request for one day AAB and dance permits for the following:

Sat. November 7, 2015 from noon to 4 p.m.

Sat. November 14, 2015 from 8 p.m. to midnight

Sat. November 21, 2015 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Special Town Meeting Warrant:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Lyons, voted to sign Special Town Meeting Warrant for November 16, 2015.

Hylie W. Hutchens, Norwood Airport Commission:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to accept with regret letter of resignation from the Norwood Airport Commission and send letter of thanks for service.

Unfinished Business

Karis North, Town Counsel:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file copy of correspondence to Denis Drummey regarding Public Records Request. Selectman Plasko stated when he spoke about this letter that made this public records request, he either misspoke or the newspaper didn't cover it correctly. For clarification one of his concerns about Mr. Drummey's letter was his statement that our counsel was zero and two before the Housing Appeals Committee, misrepresenting her record. Selectman Plasko had also said at that time that he had looked at a number of housing appeals committee cases and found seven or eight of them that none of the lawyers that Mr. Drummey, Mr. Pentowski and others were pushing for had been unsuccessful. That is not what he meant. He was trying to lump together all of the attorneys but it came out sounding like Attorney Hill was 0 and 7 and he doesn't want to misrepresent his personal record. Selectman Plasko said his statement still stands about the success rate at the housing appeals committee but it should not reflect just that one attorney because that is not what he meant to say.

Memoranda

Philip Riley, Chairman, Norwood Zoning Board of Appeals:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file with thanks to Board of Appeal, copy of correspondence to Undersecretary of Housing & Community Development and Chris Chandor and David Marcus of Trumbull Center Limited Partnership & Fairfield Mortgage Partners re denial of the Comprehensive Permit application the grounds that the 1.5% Land Area Statutory Minima set forth in 56.03(3)(b) have been satisfied. For perusal.

Selectmen's Meeting:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to approve as submitted. minutes of October 13, 2015.

Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Howard

High school marching band

The marching band won the state band competition. It was a job well done. Sure a big part of it is parent's organization for this group. They are very active and it carried over to the kids.

Courtney Burke

He introduced fifteen year old Norwood High School student from Norwood High School. Grew up in Norwood and six months ago she decided to go into weight lifting with Don Venterosa. She is also on women's hockey team. She qualified at the regional USA weightlifting competition to compete in Nationals. She is the first woman from Norwood to accomplish this.

Chairman Bishop told Ms. Burke that she is being given this commendation to show how important her accomplishments are and he read the commendation. Ms. Burke said she has a good start and good coach. She said Mr. Venterosa had asked her if she wanted to get better at her other sports and she never guessed he meant by weightlifting. She developed a love for it right away. Mr. Venterosa said Ms. Burke has only been lifting for five months and has increased her total by fifty-five pounds since the Baystate Games. At the Nationals she will be competing with every female in the United States. Selectman Howard told her whatever she does out there we will be proud of her. Selectman Donohue recommended she meet Frank Ciavattone.

Selectman Plasko told Ms. Burke he is overwhelmed by her success thus far and he enjoyed last year's hockey season.

Selectman Donohue

Christopher Catanese Charitable Foundation

There will be a fundraiser November 28, 2015 to help our children in need. Contact the fund or Central Motors at info@chrisfoundation.org.

Chairman Bishop

Public Works Open House

Sunday, November 1, 2015 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Shop Small

Saturday, November 28, 2015 shop small to build a better neighborhood. Please shop locally and spend money here in Norwood.

Boy Scout

Charles Zambito is here for merit badge on citizenship in the community.

Selectman Plasko

Halloween

Reminder Saturday is Halloween; there will be kids out in the street. Please drive carefully.

Haunted Driveway

130 Walpole street. Fun for kids and fundraiser for the food pantry. Please bring a canned good. 4:30-5:30 will be less scary for the young children. 6p.m. to 9 scary for the older ones.

Selectman Lyons

"I moved my family here 19 years ago when the children were young babies. I found a beautiful five bedroom house in a beautiful neighborhood on Earl Street and raised my children there in the middle of this wonderful town. I got involved in Town Meeting and various committees and subcommittees in town over the course of years and ten years ago ran for the Board of Selectmen. The children have grown and the house is too big for my wife and me so we have been having conversations about a promise we made to each other when we were very young; when we first met that eventually when we got to a point in our lives and got older we would be able to sit on our front porch on our rocking chairs and hold hands and look at the ocean. That would be extremely difficult to do in Norwood. We are working towards that goal as we speak so I am announcing tonight that I will not be a candidate for reelection next April."

Chairman Bishop stated the following: "this is very difficult to hear, you have been a great chairman. If you told me five years ago we would have the relationship we have today I would have said you are absolutely out of your mind. You have been a mentor to me and I appreciate that. You have been a good friend." Chairman Bishop wished Mike and Julie nothing but the best in the future.

Selectman Donohue stated the following: "that it is so sad to hear that because you and I don't always agree on everything but I have the greatest respect for you and I think that you are an exceptionally intelligent person and I think that you have done a spectacular job as a member of this Board. Those years that you were chair you were never once rude, you were never unkind. You always gave everybody a chance and you gave everybody a fair chance."

Selectman Lyons told Selectman Donohue he appreciated the kind words and the help she has given and all the food she has given him over the years.

Selectman Plasko stated the following: "The selfish part of me is very upset and saddened to hear the news. We have become very good friends. Not only do I have the respect for you that other members just expressed, but I know that this is something special for you and Julie, what you have been planning to do and you promised each other and it is especially important to you, so I wish you nothing but the best of luck in the future and I am glad that we have a few more months to continue to work together and to come up with the proper goodbye. Thank you for everything."

Chairman Bishop said let's make the best of the next five months.

Mr. Carroll said he had two shocks tonight, one that lifted me way up and one that crashed me way down. And I certainly feel, as you all do that Mr. Lyons has been a perfect Selectman and will continue to do so for the next five months of his term.

Manager's Agenda

Avalon Bay Project

This is being set up through Paul Halkiotis.

Canton Street Taking

The State is doing improvements regarding University Station and taking land by eminent domain. No action is required by the Board.

Request for a Reserve Fund Transfer for Veteran's Office

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to approve Reserve Fund Transfer of \$5000.

Police Department Promotions

Officer Sarah Lyden was promoted to Sergeant.

Sergeant Christopher Flanagan was promoted to Lieutenant.

Adjournment

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

A True Record.

ATTEST: _____

Assistant