

Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 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 Allan D. Howard, Selectmen William J. Plasko, Helen Abdallah Donohue and Thomas F. Maloney. Also present, Asst. General Manager Bernard Cooper, Clerk Frances L. Jessoe and Assistant Christina Mulvehill.

Absent: Selectman Paul A. Bishop

Appointments

7:00 P.M. – Supt. Mark Ryan, DPW:

Mr. Ryan gave monthly report of department activities. The Highway and Parks Department has been actively mowing the landfill, which is a very big deal this time of year, as it has gotten quite long. They wait until July to do it because the Audubon Society asked them to wait until mid-July because there are bird species up there that next during the spring. Brush grinding is ongoing and is done by a company that comes in and grinds it into wood chips, which are used around town for keeping vegetation down. He said all the ball fields have been worked on, particularly Balch field as the American Legion State Tournament is being held there. Highways and Parks Department helped with Pops Night. The Cemetery Department is preparing roads for resurfacing, which will be done some time in August. The Engineering Department is working on sidewalk resurfacing and the dog park and Coakley Middle School has been chosen as the test site for the dog park.

Chairman Howard said he has received emails regarding streets that need paving. Mr. Ryan said the gas company replaced the gas main on Fisher Street and they also had replaced the gas line on Emerson and Longfellow but those lines only extended one hundred fifty to two hundred feet to service a total of eight to ten houses but Emerson and Longfellow were never connected and there were fifteen houses in between that never had access to natural gas. We had tried in the past to persuade the gas company to provide more service to people so now the whole section has been looped and there are a number of houses that now have access to gas. The road has a temporary patch and in October the gas company will put a nice permanent patch in.

Prospect Ave the gas company did the work later in the year so they couldn't complete it because we shut them down when winter comes upon us, and they returned to do the upper half of Prospect Avenue and then make a turn into Prospect St. the road is in very tough condition and was in tough condition before the gas company worked there. The gas company is required to replace that trench come this October to permanent trench, but the residents reached out to Mr. Carroll and Mr. Carroll and he drove the site and they thought the best way to approach this is to get funds from the gas company in lieu of them doing their permanent trench, and next year combining those funds with Chapter 90 funds and repaving that street curb to curb. Selectman Donohue spoke about the poor condition of Neponset Street. She asked Mr. Ryan to send another note to the state for help.

Selectman Plasko talked about communications received from residents concerned about a pedestrian path to the Windsor Gardens train station that used to be accessible from Ryan Drive and asked Mr. Ryan for a recap. Mr. Ryan said Ryan Drive abuts right up to the Windsor Gardens train station. On the Windsor Gardens side that is a legitimate train station and people over the years have opened the fence on the Ryan Drive side to access the train, and are crossing the tracks in an unsafe manner to get to the Windsor Gardens platform. They are putting themselves in danger and are putting the MBTA at risk, and there is potential liability for Norwood with people crossing the train tracks to get to the other side. Mr. Ryan stated that after numerous complaints to the police department, he met with Keolis out there and they agreed to extend the fence down to persuade people against trying to cross and people pulled the

fence down. Keolis came back and replaced it and Public Works, under the direction of Keolis and the Police Department, put piles of brush in the way to make it difficult. However, people are persistent and he has to stay on it because it is a liability mainly for the MBTA but also for the Town and we have to stop this from happening. Selectman Plasko asked Mr. Ryan if the Ryan Drive neighbors had asked for this entrance to be closed off some years ago. Mr. Ryan said the problem is ongoing because there are people speeding down Ryan Drive or Thompson Road dropping their passengers off and it is something that the neighborhood has been putting up with as well. The neighborhood has reached out to us before, we keep talking to Keolis, the company in charge of the tracks, and it is an ongoing battle.

Selectman Donohue asked if on the evening of Saturday, July 16th the Public Works department got any calls about excessive construction on the railroad tracks. Mr. Ryan said the DPW did not but they heard about that from other people. Selectman Donohue asked what had happened, she woke up at 2 a.m. in the morning and thought it was the work on the Guild Street Bridge, so she did not call the police. There was a lot of noise and she noticed it started to move and come closer to South Norwood, and then she called the police. The police said the MBTA was shaving their railroad tracks. Selectman Donohue asked if anyone had given them permission to do that in the middle of the night. After that the noise stopped. on July 16 Saturday evening did public works get calls about excessive construction on tracks.

Selectman Maloney asked about the RFP on St. Gabriel's Chapel. Mr. Ryan said July 22nd was the deadline and there had been five submittals.

7:15 P.M. – Moderna, 200 Tech Square, Cambridge:

RE: TIF-100 Technology Drive Submitting Draft of TIF Agreement.

Selectman Plasko introduced the members of Moderna who were present; Steven Harbin, Senior Vice President of Manufacturing and Operations, Aaron Winnick, Corporate Finance Director, Tim Bernstein, Director of Accounting, Lynn Tokarczyk, Government Incentives Consultant. Selectman Plasko explained that on June 28th some representatives from Moderna had asked for a meeting to introduce themselves and get some information on the town so Selectman Plasko, Chairman Howard, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Cooper and Town Planner Paul Halkiotis met with Mr. Harbin and other representatives from Moderna and had a general discussion about their interest in the town. While doing a search for sites, Norwood was one of the finalists. Moderna submitted a letter of interest to the Selectmen, which was then forwarded to the Economic Development Committee, the Chairman of which, Steve Costello, is in attendance. Selectman Plasko said the EDC met with Moderna and the parties came to an agreement after some negotiation.

Stephen Harbin, began the presentation by saying it has been a pleasure to work with the Town of Norwood. MARA? Gave a brief history of Moderna and outlined their mission. Moderna has created an ecosystem and at the center of that ecosystem is a technology plan. They form partnerships in which they maintain the technology and they are five years into the process. Mr. Harbin explained they are moving from the preclinical phase to the clinical phase to become a true biotech delivery company. They are high tech and at the leading edge of this science. By coming to Norwood they will be bringing a large organization to the town. Their space will be modern with open laboratory areas. He said it is time to expand into a more appropriate space for the clinical supply base. They will be leasing the space from Campinelli and Steve Murphy from Campinelli was present at the meeting. Mr. Harbin explained they are looking to renovate the old Polaroid facility on Upland Road with the entire project costing about \$110 million. It will be the single biggest project Moderna has ever contemplated. There will be jobs connected to this expansion with one hundred positions initially and over the next few years, one hundred twenty more. There will also be \$400,000 in permit fees attached to this project.

Selectman Plasko asked Economic Development Committee Chairman Steve Costello to speak. Mr. Costello thanked the Board for getting them on the agenda. He explained that his job as Chair is to represent the Committee and he mentioned that Alan Slater and Selectman Plasko are also members of the EDC. Mr. Costello said he believes this will be a great benefit to the Town and will put us on the map as far as life sciences and high technology. The parcel of land is the old Polaroid site and the jobs are real as

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part of the TIF Agreement and if Moderna does not abide the TIF goes away. He spoke about potential expenditures involved. Norwood would gain sixty percent of the new taxes and the TIF is forty percent. Town Assessor Tim McDonough has looked at the property and estimates \$253,237 for taxes. Mr. Costello went on to explain that the rationale as a committee is to repurpose a vacant building with potential property taxes, etc. This is a significant commitment by Moderna to come to Norwood and it coincides with state initiative to move some biotech and life science out of the Cambridge area. He said he is pleased with result. The EDC has a very focused charter, which is to increase the tax base for the Town of Norwood. Moderna is an attractive partner for the Town of Norwood. Mr. Costello also clarified that the TIF is not attached to the property.

Selectman Donohue thanked Tom O'Rourke of the Chamber of Commerce and Deb Holmwood of the Planning Board for attending the meeting. Mr. O'Rourke said the Chamber of Commerce is in agreement with the Economic Development Committee on this.

Selectman Maloney said the Economic Development Committee gave a great presentation. He pointed out that Finance Commissioners Judy Langone and Joe Greeley are also in the room.

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted that the Board of Selectmen accepts the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee and further votes to recommend that Town Meeting approves a proposed 10 year Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement, pursuant to MGL C. 40, Section 59, between Moderna Therapeutics, Inc. and Campanelli-Trigate Norwood Upland, LLC and the Town of Norwood for the proposed property and authorize the submission of same for approval to the Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council (the "EACC") and be it further voted to recommend that Town Meeting approve the acceptance of the proposed Local Incentive-Only Application by Moderna Therapeutics, Inc. and authorize the submission of same for approval by the EACC. Selectman Plasko said this requires approval of Town Meeting also.

New Business

Kathryn Hand:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to have Manager handle e-mail regarding concerns on condition of Emerson Drive, Prospect Street and Prospect Avenue.

Shirley Marengi & Katie Neal-Rizzo:

Submitting e-mail on behalf of the residents of Prospect Avenue with concerns regarding the terrible condition of the road.

Robert Marsh, Treasurer & Collector:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file notice that all payments for electricity, water and broadband will be made directly to the Treasurer's department. The mail slot outside the Light Department will be eliminated. There will still be a box at the Town Hall and the drive through in the municipal parking lot. This practice will be phased in and take effect by the end of August 2016.

Richard G. Stromberg, Senior Project Manager, Boston Environmental:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file notice of Permanent Solution without conditions filing, transformer Spill release, 95 Morse Street. No environmental receptors were affected.

Madeline Eysie, CPA Committee:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to deny request to place a flyer in the October Light Bills. It is illegal to use town funds to promote a ballot question whether it be for or against that proposition.

New Business-(cont'd):

Sigalle Reiss, Supt. Director, Board of Health:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve request to place banner on Washington Street from Monday, Sept. 12 to Monday Sept. 26 to advertise Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Day on Sept. 24th.

Block Party:

a. Jennifer Conley, 44 Marlboro Street:

Submitting request for a block party on Sat. Sept. 17 from 2 to 8 p.m. and to block a small area of Dorset Street.

b. Patricia M. Oginski, 76 Casey Street:

Submitting request for block party on Saturday, September 24 from 2 to 10 p.m. and to block part of the street from 68 to 86 Casey Street.

c. Patricia Cavanaugh, 42 Windsor Road:

Submitting request to hold block party on Saturday, August 27 from 12 noon to 8 p.m. and to block off Windsor Road at Dean Street and Edgell.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to approve the three requests and notify Police and Fire Departments.

Sanjana Bhagavatula, Endean Drive, Walpole:

Request to contact Tom O'Rourke to petition the MBTA to construct an entrance to the rail station from Ryan Drive. Response from Selectmen's Office as per the Chairman is attached and states that he, as Chairman, would be opposed to having a train station in between two houses on Ryan Drive. Chairman Howard said he himself got several emails from local residents- not on Ryan Drive, who walk to that station through this area and have been doing it for many years. He would like to see if there is a way the Manager could come up to allow people walking to utilize this. Selectman Donohue made motion to deny this because it is not safe for people to be crossing railroad tracks and trying to allow a walkway or any kind of train station in a residential zone, where there are houses is terribly unfair to the people who live there. Selectman Plasko seconded the motion. He said there were other emails sent about this and that is why he asked Mr. Ryan about this and the fact that the MBTA wanted this closed off because they did not find it to be safe. Selectman Plasko said he sees no interested in pursuing having an opening there. Assistant General Manager Bernie Cooper spoke about the issue. There was a situation a few years ago with the abutters on Ryan Drive and traffic coming through their neighborhood dropping people off at the same time kids are outside waiting for the school bus and there was actually a parking problem there also with people leaving their cars and going to the train. He believes that even if someone wanted to build a stop it would be extremely difficult. The Board voted 4-0 in favor of denying the request.

James Collins, Supt. Light Dept. /Broadband:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to accept and forward to NPATV check in the amount of \$44,431.00 for Franchise Fee Peg Access in accordance with article 7.1 of the license and \$15,000.00 for Peg Access Equipment, Section 6.5.

Loretta MacEachern, 22 Endicott Street:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file e-mail that she would like to volunteer for the Norwood Commerce Center Review Committee

Kerri Long, Napper Tandy's:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve request to hold annual road race on August 18th and shut down the road between Day Street and Washington Street to the end of their building to give the runners a place to gather Police and Fire Departments to be notified.

New Business-(cont'd):

Robert J. Marsh, Treasurer & Collector:

- a. Submitting notice that the Board will need to sign bond related documents for the recent bond sale. The Town on June 19, 2016 issued approximately \$43 million in debt and borrowed at record low rates for the Town. The Town was able to save approximately \$2.5 million in lower interest expense. The Town will receive \$1,743,000.00 as a bond premium. Also submitting press release. If the Board approves a copy of the press release it will be sent to the Globe, Bulletin and Record.

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve and sign bond documents and approve submittal of the press release.

- b. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to sign loan agreement for the MWRA bond offering for \$500,000 which was voted at the STM of May 9, 2016 under article 11.

I, the Clerk of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Norwood, Massachusetts, certify that at a meeting of the board held July 26, 2016, of which meeting all members of the board were duly notified and at which a quorum was present, the following votes were unanimously passed, all of which appear upon the official record of the board in my custody:

Voted: that the sale of the \$500,000 Water Bond of the Town dated August 8, 2016, to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (the "Authority") is hereby approved and the Town Treasurer or other appropriate town official is authorized to execute on behalf of the Town a Loan Agreement and a Financial Assistance Agreement with the Authority with respect to the bond. The bond shall be payable without interest on August 15 of the years and in the principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Installment</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Installment</u>
2017	\$50,000	2022	\$50,000
2018	50,000	2023	50,000
2019	50,000	2024	50,000
2020	50,000	2025	50,000
2021	50,000	2026	50,000

Further Voted: that each member of the Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer be and hereby are, authorized to take any and all such actions, and execute and deliver such certificates, receipts or other documents as may be determined by them, or any of them, to be necessary or convenient to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing vote.

I further certify that the votes were taken at a meeting open to the public, that no vote was taken by secret ballot, that a notice stating the place, date, time and agenda for the meeting (which agenda included the adoption of the above votes) was filed with the Town Clerk and a copy thereof posted in a manner conspicuously visible to the public at all hours in or on the municipal building that the office of the Town Clerk is located or, if applicable, in accordance with an alternative method of notice prescribed or approved by the Attorney General as set forth in 940 CMR 29.03(2)(b), at least 48 hours, not including Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, prior to the time of the meeting and remained so posted at the time of the meeting, that no deliberations or decision in connection with the sale of the bond were taken in executive session, all in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §§18-25 as amended.

Dated: July 26, 2016

Clerk of the Board of Selectmen

New Business-(cont'd):

Evan Makrinikolas, Dept. of Veterans Services:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file notice of mandatory training and certification which will be held from Oct. 24 to Oct. 27. Veterans Agent Ted Mulvehill will attend.

Thomas J. McQuaid, Town Clerk and Accountant:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to approve appointment of election officers and alternate election workers.

Anne C. Rosenthal, Paralegal, Mobility Works, 333 Boston Providence Turnpike:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to hold request to amend Class II license to reflect new president William Koeblitz until all paperwork is submitted.

Windsor Gardens MBTA stop off Ryan Drive:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file e-mails from residents asking the Board to work with the MBTA to allow them to access the pedestrian path on Ryan Drive. The MBTA has blocked the path.

Maggie Wiatr, Special Projects Producer, Fox 25, Boston:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve Zip Trip in Norwood on August 5th at the Town Common. The crews will start to set up at 3:30 a.m. This event will go from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. They will also have a Kids Zone. Mr. Cooper is coordinating with the parties and has requested a certificate of insurance from the network.

William Mullinex, Manager, True Value Hardware:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve use of Town Common on August 5, 2016 from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. during Fox 25 Zip Trip activities. The table will be staffed by three or four employees who will distribute promotional giveaway items.

Judy Connelly, 90 Bond Street:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to refer to the Manager's Office e-mail regarding rotary at the corner of Bond and Nichols and rotary near church which needs watering.

Barbara Connor, 78 Codman Road:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to file e-mail in opposition of Dog Park next to Ellis Nursing Home. Chairman Howard said there is no plan to put a dog park at Ellis at the present time.

Unfinished Business

Robert Donnelly, 47 Mylod Street:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to file information regarding site for possible dog park and that the Board remove from consideration any proposal that involves the use of Endean Conservation area. Selectman Plasko said that while he has respect for Mr. Donnelly and takes his concerns seriously, he does not agree with them, except for concern about traffic, but the Board should not automatically say it should not be considered.

Heather Crisafulli, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 24 Berwick St.:

Submitting per request of the Board, Certificate of Liability Insurance for their Harvest Festival at the DAV Park on Saturday, October 1 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (rain date October 2, from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Original request was presented to the Board in February 2016 . On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted final approval of the event.

Memoranda

Norfolk County Commissioners:

Notice to Assessors of tax for fiscal year, July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$223,924.33.

Selectmen's Meeting:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve as submitted Board minutes of June 14, 28, and July 12.

Supt. Gerry Miller, Recreation Department:

Submitting monthly report of department's activities. Selectman Donohue said the report says this Friday is day of hope carnival for children. Norwood Day will be held on September 10th.

Supt. James F. Collins, Jr., Norwood Light Department:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to file monthly report of department's activities.

Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Maloney

Pops Night

Thank you Chairman for reminder about Pops Night and for the opportunity to volunteer.

Selectman Donohue

Pops Night

Thank you to the committee that put Pops Night together and to all who attended. There was a big crowd and great music. Thank you to Mr. Cooper who was there working for about twelve hours.

Chairman Howard

Test Drives

Residents have indicated that there are a lot of test drives by auto dealers on Ellis Avenue and he asked Mr. Cooper to advise the dealers nicely not to do that.

Executive Session

The Chairman recommends Executive Session after Manager's Agenda to discuss DPW litigation.

Manager's Agenda

For the Chairman's signature. Re-appointment letter for Chief Procurement Officer.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to reappoint John J. Carroll as Chief Procurement Officer.

Subject to the Board's approval, I have appointed 5 members to the Commission on Disability

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve appointments of Stanley Gaw, Robert Smith, Kevin Connolly, James Maroney, and Patty Griffin Starr. There are two more positions open that they are soliciting for candidates for.

Forming of a Management Task Force to evaluate the Town's information needs.

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to have Chairman appoint liaison from Board of Selectmen.

Dog Park trial at Coakley.

Mr. Carroll and Mark Ryan are going to meet with the School Committee on Wednesday, August 24th because school property will have to be transited to get to the proposed location. Selectman Plasko was discouraged while reading this report that there were several people that met to look at the site and

Manager's Agenda- Dog Park trial at Coakley-(cont'd):

come up with a game plan as to how it would be laid out, and yet it did not include a single member of the so-called Dog Park Committee. The group that has been in asking for a dog park and who will be asked to make sure it is maintained going forward did not have any representatives in attendance. Selectman Plasko said he was not happy with the diagram included in the packet because it was much smaller than was discussed. Typically, a dog park will have an area for small dogs and another for large dogs. Mr. Cooper said this plan is very preliminary and has not been discussed. Selectman Plasko said this is a nice area and would give the dogs room to socialize and run a little free, but there are also walking paths where people can leave dogs on the leash and get exercise in an attractive area of the town.

Letter to MassDot regarding University Ave. at Route One

Mr. Cooper said the letter is mostly to make sure they don't forget us. On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file the letter.

For the Board's approval Uncollectable list for Electric and Broadband Accounts for 2009 & 2010

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve list as submitted.

FYI Fire site off Davis Ave.

Mr. Cooper said the EPA intends to complete the work at the United Aniline Davis Avenue site. If all goes well they will begin to remove the existing debris next week and then resume the demolition work two to three weeks later.

Executive Session

On motion of Chairman Howard, seconded by Selectman Plasko, and on roll call vote of Selectmen Donohue and Maloney, voted to enter into Executive session immediately following regular business to discuss DPW litigation.

Adjournment

Returning to open session and no other business being presented for consideration, on motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 8:55 p.m.

A True Record.

ATTEST: _____
Assistant