

Selectmen's Meeting
Room 34, Town Hall

January 7, 2020
Meeting is Recorded

Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 in Rm 34, Norwood Memorial Municipal Building, with Pledge of Allegiance, moment of prayer and reflection.

Present: Chairman Paul Bishop, Selectmen William Plasko, Allan Howard, Thomas Maloney and David Hajjar.
General Manager Tony Mazzucco, Clerk Christina Mulvehill, Assistant Aoife Kelly.

Appointments

7:00 P.M. – Executive Session:

IAFF Local 1631 - Collective Bargaining.

The Chairman opened the meeting and stated the Board's intention to go into Executive Session for Purpose 3: Discussion of strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining or litigation where an open meeting may have detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the body, and the Chair so declares.

Motion made by Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Howard to enter Executive session for the purpose stated, and to reconvene in Open Session. Roll call vote: Those in favor: Selectman Maloney, Selectman Howard, Selectman Plasko, Selectman Hajjar, and Chairman Bishop. Motion passed.

New Business

Tony Mazzucco, General Manager:

Submitting Traffic Safety Advisory Committee recommendations to the Board. The committee consists of School Facilities Director, Fire Chief, two representatives from Police Department, Town Engineer, Assistant Town Engineer, and the Manager. The Manager gave an introduction and introduced DPW Director/Town Engineer Mark Ryan. Mr. Ryan spoke about the issues the committee has been looking at recently. The committee submitted three proposals to the Board. The first was to eliminate a parking space northbound on Washington Street, south of Central Street, to improve sight distance. On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to approve this recommendation. At the Board's request, Mr. Ryan agreed to check the parking spots reserved for Taxis on Washington Street north of Central Street and in front of the Town Common to see how often they are used. The second concern was Earl Street just off Neponset Street, where neighbors have complained about people cutting through in the morning, adding to the traffic on Neponset Street as they try to get onto Washington Street. On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted 4-1 to table this recommendation for further observation. Selectman Howard opposed. The manager will notify the board when the next count is scheduled to occur.

Mr. Ryan then recommended some housekeeping changes to the Traffic Rules and Regulations. The first is to rename "SCHEDULE #2 STOP SIGN LOCATION" to "SCHEDULE #6 DO NOT ENTER RESTRICTIONS". On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to approve this change. On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to add Schedule # 7 "TURN RESTRICTIONS FOR PUBLIC WAYS". On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to Amend the traffic rules and regulations to restrict left hand turns onto Plimpton Avenue from the residential complex at 165 Lenox Street – Avalon Bay. On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to approve installation of "No Through Traffic" sign at Wedgewood Drive and Neponset Street and allow a center line and stop bar be painted on Wedgewood Drive at Deerfield Road.

Norwood Public Access:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to file as information minutes of Board meetings of September 4 and October 28, 2019.

Police Chief William G. Brooks, III:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to set up show cause hearings regarding liquor compliance checks.

BTN Inc. dba Boston Tavern:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to approve application for Entertainment License at 1210 Boston Providence Turnpike.

Car Washes:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve the following:

Center of Hope Haiti, Saturday, April 25, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop 49, Saturday, June 6, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Norwood Parents' Music Association – Choral Students, Saturday, May 23, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Norwood Parents' Music Association – Instrumental Students, Saturday, June 20, 2020 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Norwood Boys Lacrosse, Saturday, June 13, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Norwood Golf Team, Saturday June 27, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Kirstie David, Outreach Librarian:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve request to include an insert in the February 2020 Light Bills to promote Outreach Services.

Norfolk Asphalt Company, Inc.:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to accept under Chapter 44 Section 53A a donation check for \$29,403.70 in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Norwood and Norfolk Asphalt. This is the annual payment for 2019.

Cemetery Deeds:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to sign:

Margaret M Pretorius, 241 Ridgewood Drive to Lot G6-101

Barbara Ann Patrick, 154 Westwood Glen Road, Westwood to Lot C3-109

Maria J Rodrigues, 78 Garden Parkway to Lot C3-123

Travis Farley, Superintendent of Recreation:

Submitting request for the Board to nominate one member to represent the Board on the Pool Feasibility Committee. Selectman Howard had already been appointed.

Norwood Cable Commission:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to reappoint Richard Shay and Peter Strano to the Cable Commission for a three year term.

Kerri McCarthy, Executive Director, Norwood Council on Aging:

On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve request to declare the current bus as surplus and allow it to go on the municipal bid list, with proceeds to be returned to Friends of the Council on Aging. Friends of Council on Aging have donated \$75,000 for the new bus.

Unfinished Business

ABCC:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to file as information final approval for change of manager application for Neponset River LLC dba Sheraton Four Points Norwood from Kevin Casey to Raymond Prescottano.

190 Central Street:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Hajjar, voted to approve and sign, Lease of a portion of 190 Central Street between Town of Norwood and Norwood Printing Graphics & Marketing.

Memoranda

Paul Halkiotis, Planning & Economic Development Director:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to accept under Chapter 44 Section 53A to accept a donation for Intersection Design in the amount of \$50,000 from Alexandria and approved the Manager to expend funds for said purpose.

Selectmen's Minutes:

On motion of Selectman Hajjar, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to file as submitted Meeting minutes from September 24 2019.

Manager's Update

The Pajama Drive starts February 1, 2020

Senior Center Tax Preparation

Senior sixty years old and older are eligible to have their taxes done for free at the Senior Center. Call for appointment: 781-762-1240 x 5.

Christmas Tree Pick Up continues to January 14, 2020.

Selectmen's Updates

Selectman Maloney

Capital Outlay Meeting

One week from tomorrow – Wednesday, January 15th at 7 p.m. in Room 12 Norwood Town Hall.

150th Birthday of the Town of Norwood

Meeting February 23, 2020 open to the public to begin 150th Celebration kick off preparation.

Film Show at Norwood Theatre

Norwood Historical Society will be involved.

Selectman Howard

Plimpton Ave was just paved and now there are holes to do pipe work.

Selectman Plasko

Happy Anniversary to Manager Mazzucco who celebrated 2nd anniversary with the Town December 17th.

Adjournment

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

A True Record.

ATTEST: _____
Clerk