

Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 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 Thomas F. Maloney Selectmen William J. Plasko, Helen Abdallah Donohue, Paul A. Bishop, Allan D. Howard, and Thomas F. Maloney. Also present General Manager Tony Mazzucco, Clerk Frances L. Jessoe and Assistant Christina K. Mulvehill.

### Appointments

7:00 P.M. – Chairman Thomas Maloney: Chairman's address – goals for 2019.

Forbes Hill RFP: Selectman Plasko, Mr. Mazzucco & Mr. Halkiotis are forming a draft that will be complete in the next several months.

Zoning: The Planning Board proposal for May's Annual Town Meeting to amend certain zoning restrictions in central business district. The proposed bylaw change will make it easier for property owners to redevelop their properties. Town Meeting authorized a study by an Outside organization.

Fiscal Stability. Budget Balancing Committee to have Selectmen offer operational override to stabilize the Town's Budget for at least 5 years with no loss of services on general government or school side.

Green Communities – Town is looking forward to participation in state energy efficiency program.

New Junior High School: Norwood's proposal has been accepted into the MSBA program, entitling Norwood to considerable reimbursement of costs.

Norwood 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: February 23, 2022. Some history buffs have been getting together to discuss a celebration. Assistant General Manager Bernie Cooper has information on the non-profit that was established 25 years ago. It's time to form a Master Committee and sub-committees to discuss fundraising and think about events for the celebration.

Selectman Plasko stated that he, Mr. Mazzucco, and Mr. Halkiotis will meet with David DeLuca and Cathy Carney and will finish working on final draft of the RFP that should be completed by January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Manager's evaluation and set Goals for the General Manager for 2019

Selectman Donohue explained they have not as a Board taken positions on these matters.

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee very important to get it organized with a lot of input from the public.

Mr. Bishop: Rezoning of the uptown commercial zoning. The Board of Selectmen, ZBA, Board of Appeals & Town Planner are all onboard to revitalize the Town.

7:15 P.M. – Chief William Brooks, NPD:  
Chief Brooks delivered his monthly report.

ALL Night Parking Ban: Chief Brooks wants to remind everyone that the ALL Night Parking Ban is in effect from November 15<sup>th</sup> thru April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Chief said the seasonal ban is an effective way to manage parking. There will be more enforcement of crosswalks and teaching pedestrian safety. He outlined courses that are up-coming. Mr. Howard inquired about a CPR course being included, Chief Brooks will work with Chief Morrice to offer a course in the spring.

Police Department Entrance exam is April 20, 2019 at the high school. Register on line. There are still some glitches with people owning phase 2 cell phones that if they place a 911 call, it will go to the State Police departments rather than local police.

7:30 P.M. – Chief George Morrice, NFD:

The Chief submitted his report of monthly department activities. The Fire department had a total of 5,730 runs in 2018, an increase of 114 runs from 2017.

A new engine committee chaired by Lt. Jeff Campilio, was formed at the beginning of the Chief's tenure. This committee designed and got the plans to the dealer before year end, saving the Town \$30,000 in tariffs. Expanding on the excellent work the Department does, the Chief cited calls they responded to in December. There was a warehouse fire on Canton Street fed by a gas line, a fire on Wheelock Ave in a carriage house, and a third fire on Morgan Drive caused by a small explosion in an oven. In addition, there was a baby born at home was not breathing. Dispatcher Ron Lanzoni told the parents how to stimulate and get the baby breathing. The baby was then transported to Norwood Hospital.

Fire Prevention Officer, Lt. John Cody has reestablished relationship with FM Global, a company that insures large commercial businesses. They focus on engineering plans for safety of the business. They have a new facility for training for fire, sprinkler systems, etc. and the Fire Department will do training there. They also offer grants that the Fire Department hopes to apply for.

Selectman Howard asked about substitution account for the last 6 months of the fiscal year. The Chief said they are working on this.

Chief Morrice gave an update on the firefighters who are injured, ill or out on a duty related injury.

Selectman Bishop thanked Deputy Chief Maggio for the extensive amount of training that he provides and who Chief Morrice said is most knowledgeable person in the building.

The Chief said they are an extremely busy department and are unusual for having one fire station for 30,000 residents. Norwood is small geographically.

New Business

Wes Stearns, Chief Operating Officer, Lorusso Corporation:

On a motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to accept as chapter 44 Section 53 A. annual payment in the amount of \$28,202.37 in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Norwood and Norfolk Asphalt.

Certuse Adjustment, Inc., Mansfield, MA:

On a motion of Selectman Donahue, seconded by Selectman Plasko voted to accept a payment of insurance loss. Payment will be forwarded to the Treasurer.

David Hajjar, Finance Commission/Recreation Dept. Liaison:

On a motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Plasko voted to accept the FY 18 Recreation Department Financial Overview.

Russ Maguire, Manager, Norwood Memorial Airport:

The Norwood Airport Commission has voted to rename its snow removal equipment/administration building in honor of retired U.S. Marine Corps Major Mark C. Welch. Major Welch was the son of Joe & Anita Welch of Norwood. Major Welch graduated from the US Naval Academy in Annapolis, served two tours of duty in Iraq; as well as tours in Afghanistan, Bosnia & Kosovo. Chairman Mark Ryan, NAC stated that the Major Mark C. Welch Administration Building will carry the name of someone we can all be proud of-a highly decorated helicopter pilot and veteran, who also was a native son. Major Welch passed away on April 10, 2016. Selectman Donohue spoke with Mark Ryan and suggested an appropriate ceremony and invite the Marine Corps league detachments. On a motion by Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to endorse the concept.

TRC Environmental Corporation:

On a motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Bishop voted to accept a notice of availability for a Remedial Action Plan, Norfolk Asphalt.

MAPC:

On a motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Bishop voted to accept project concepts for work through their Technical Assistance Program. Copy to be submitted to Town Planner as well.

Verizon:

On a motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue voted to file notification that Disney and ESPN may not continue providing access to its network. The contract runs out on Dec. 31, 2018. They have given Disney an offer which has been rejected.

Comcast:

On a motion by Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file notification that MGM TV has terminated its contract effective Feb. 1, 2019.

ABCC:

On a motion by Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop voted to approve alteration of premises for Castle Island.

Cynthia Ross, St. Catherine's School:

On a motion by Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve request for 1 day Malt Beverage License for Friday, May 18, 2019 from 4 p.m. to 7p.m.

Prime Motor Group:

On a motion by Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to approve the scheduling of a public hearing on applications for Class I Licenses for AMR Auto Holdings-BN, LLC, dba BMW of Norwood, 918 Boston Providence Turnpike; AMR Auto Holdings-MN, LLC, dba Prime Mazda, AMR Auto Holdings, 920 Boston Providence Turnpike;-VWN, LLC, dba Volkswagen of Norwood, 1280 Boston Providence Turnpike. This is presently Gallery Automotive Group. (P.H.)

Matt Silverstein, Brad Artery, AR Jump, 570 Boston Providence Tnpk.:

On a motion by Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to approve notification that they are selling their business to Arena NL, Inc.

Mark J. Murphy, Arena NL Inc., Launch Trampoline Park, 570 Boston Providence Turnpike:

On a motion by Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop voted to set a hearing for the application for CV License and Automatic Amusement License to operate Launch Trampoline Park (PH).

John Paras, Knights of Columbus, 572 Nichols Street:

On a motion by Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Donohue voted to approve a request for a 1 (one) Day AAB License for Saturday, January 19, 2019 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Cemetery Deed:

On a motion by Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to sign: Lawrence L. Pandolfo, 371 Nahatan Street to Lot C3-60.

Phillip Dixon, Residence Inn Norwood:

On a motion by Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to accept notification that he is the new General Manager of Residence Inn Norwood/Canton.

Mohamed Adam, 74 Plymouth Drive, Apt. D, Norwood:

On a motion by Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to approve a request for approval of a drive through Norwood on the way to Logan Airport. The Board has approved this in the past with the following restrictions: "not to act as a taxi or livery while in the bounds of Norwood, just a pass through the Town".

Eric Ciampa, 260 Weatherbee Drive, Westwood:

On a motion by Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to approve the scheduling of a public hearing for the application for a CV License to operate EMC Rest Inc., dba Same Old Place, 111 Lenox Street. (P.H.)

Norwood Cultural Council:

On a motion by Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Donohue voted to approve the appointment of Denise Kiley to the Cultural Council. This will bring the numbers on the Council to 8. The Board has capped the number of members to 9.

Unfinished Business

Robert Thornton, C.P.A.:

On a motion by Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Howard voted to table correspondence regarding financial decisions for the Town of Norwood.

Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Plasko

Farewell to Fran Jessoe

Tonight is her last night with us. She will be here until the end of the week, but then she is going to enjoy a nice retirement with her husband Paul and family. Fran, I said this the night we got your letter, telling us you were retiring, that I have known all the people that have held your position for about 45 years now and they have all been dedicated to this office and you have been the epitome of it. You have always held this office in such high esteem, and you work every day to be so professional, and to represent whoever is serving on the Board of Selectmen. And no matter what our personalities or what our quirks are, every person who's come through this Board you have shown nothing but the most respect to work with and helped so much. Personally I can never say enough about how much you and Christina have individually assisted me in the efforts I try to work on so thank you very much, and I hope you really enjoy it.

Selectman Donohue

Fran Jessoe

It's hard Fran to say goodbye and when you think how you and Christina and Julie really are the Board. You are here on a daily basis and the public meets you and you have done a fabulous job over the years and we appreciate it very, very, very much and Mr. Mazzucco, you lost your Debby Melcher. She was 28 years here and she retired this past week. The times are a changing.

George Lally

Mr. Lally has been inducted into national Babe Ruth League Hall of Fame. He has worked year after year providing baseball to kids of all ages, making sure every kid has a chance to play.

Selectman Howard

Elections are coming up in the beginning of April. Nomination papers are available in the Clerk's Office. We need people in the town meeting seats.

Fran Jessoe

To Mrs. Jessoe: I'm coming to the end of my 8<sup>th</sup> year on this board of Selectman. One year I was Chair of this esteemed Board and you carried me well. You counseled and advised and did so many things to assist me, both at that time as Chairman and at other times. You have said, which is very true, that your main function is to protect your Selectmen. I am going to miss you sincerely. Thank you very much for your service to us and to the Town of Norwood.

Selectman Bishop

2019 is the one hundredth anniversary of the Norwood Hospital.

Fran Jessoe

I want to thank Mrs. Jessoe. I have been here 8 years and I could not have gotten through the first week, let alone the years, without the assistance from Mrs. Jessoe. She is the heart and soul. She runs this place along with Christina Mulvehill. They make our lives extremely easy and I want to thank you for that and most importantly I want to thank you for your friendship. Both you and your husband Paul. I thank you for your service to the Town but especially the service to this Board.

Chairman Maloney

On December 7<sup>th</sup> Cambridge based Moderna Therapeutics, with a location in Norwood, held its initial public offering. They raised \$604 million. Proud to have them in town.

Fran Jessoe

Fran thank you also. My colleagues have said it quite eloquently Mrs. Jessoe. Mr. Howard mentioned how one of your assignments was to protect the Board and that is why you were so busy. Thank you also for your wisdom, your guidance and your love. It has been a pleasure working with you these past few years and now you will enjoy your retirement.

Manager's Update

Construction has started on Access Road. There will be a more detailed report from Mr. Collins in the future.

The Manager gave a brief presentation on about Green Communities.

Adjournment

No other business being presented for consideration, on motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 8:05 p.m.

A True Record.

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Clerk