

Regular and budget meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 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, Paul A. Bishop and Thomas F. Maloney. Also present General Manager John J. Carroll, Clerk Frances L. Jessoe and Assistant Christina Mulvehill

Appointments

7:00 P.M. – Gerald Miller, Supt., Recreation Dept.:

Mr. Miller reviewed his department's monthly activities. He gave an update on the bathhouse project at Hawes, about the lights going up at the Coakley, and Pickle Ball. Selectman Maloney commented on the progress on the bathhouse and asked about Field 4 and the lights at Coakley. Mr. Miller said they put in sprinklers and added pedestrian lights on the poles around the walking track.

7:15 P.M. – Winter Concert Committee:

Concert Committee Chair Paul Eysie thanked the Concerts on the Common committee members. He named the members and added their specific jobs if applicable. The winter series begins Sunday, January 29, 2017. He acknowledged and thanked all the sponsors, School Committee and High School Principal. Linda Thomas added that without Mr. Eysie there would be no series. John Carroll and Bernie Cooper started the program and told him to run it. Dolores Elias spoke about the refreshments. Chairman Howard said he and his wife enjoy attending the concerts. Mr. Eysie said donations could be made to the Manager's Office. Selectman Maloney thanked the committee for their work. Selectman Donohue thanked the committee and told Mrs. Cummings she has a hard job to do scheduling the concerts. Ninette Cummings said all the bands she books say they love to come to Norwood. Selectman Bishop said he loves the winter series the most. Selectman Plasko concurred and thanked the Committee.

New Business

Philip W. Riley, Chairman, Board of Appeal:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to file notification that Board of Appeal will reopen the application hearing for Comprehensive Permit under Chapter 40B for Trumbull Center Limited Partnership and Fairfield Mortgage Partners Limited Partnership (Tenancy in Common) c/o Davis Marcus Partners, for location at Upland Road and notification that Board of Appeal received an application for appeal from UAVE, LLC c/o David Bailey at 973 University Avenue. Application is for bituminous concrete manufacturing facility.

Robert F. Sullivan, Government Affairs, Comcast:

On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to file notification of upcoming change in certain Comcast set-top boxes.

Jill Reddish, Verizon FiOS TV:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to file notification of a programming change made by WFXZ. Subscribers will be notified.

MBTA Advisory Board:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to file and forward to Mr. Mastandrea notice that the next meeting of the MBTA Advisory Board will be Monday, January 30, 2017 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Massachusetts State Lottery Commission:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to file Annual Beano Report for St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

Cemetery Deeds:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to sign:
James E. O'Neil, MD, 12 Dorset Street to Lot G6-88
Linda J. Topping, 36 Fieldbrook Road to Lot C-1909

Car Washes:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to approve:
a. Norwood High School Baseball, Saturday, April 1, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
b. Norwood Hoop Club, Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

One Day Liquor Licenses:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve:
a. Compete Indoor Sports, 576 Pleasant St., Sat., January 21, 2017 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.
b. Knights of Columbus, 572 Nichols St. Sat., January 21, 2017 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Sigalle Reiss, Supt./Director, Board of Health:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to approve:
a. Request to hang banner from Monday May 8 to Monday May 15, 2017 to advertise Household Hazardous Waste/Recycling Day to be held May 13, 2017.
b. Request to insert Recycling Newsletter in August light bills.
Selectman Bishop directed the Manager to suggest another location for a banner so these two groups Hazardous Waste and Food Drive don't conflict.

William Discepolo, Ecumenical Community Food Pantry of Norwood:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve request to hang banner April 30 to May 13, 2017 announcing Letter Carrier Food Drive Saturday May 13, 2017.

Thomas O'Rourke, President and CEO, Neponset Valley Chamber of Commerce:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to file invitation to Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner, Thursday, January 26, 2017.

Thomas McQuaid, Town Clerk and Accountant:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Maloney, voted to table for one week notice that he received a letter from Finance Commissioner John Hayes in which he resigns from the Finance Commission effective Monday, April 3, 2017. If the Board wishes to place this one-year Finance Commission position on the April ballot, they must inform the Town Clerk's Office by Friday, January 28, 2017.

James Gormley, School Committee Chairman:

On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to table for budget review FY 2018 Capital Outlay Proposals (Update from December Memo).

Memoranda

Timothy McDonough, Chairman, Board of Assessors:

Submitting a copy of correspondence from Glenn Frank, General Counsel, Omni Navitas Holdings, LLC with a PILOT Agreement Proposal for the Master Solar Canopy Project at Norwood Depot Station. Selectman Plasko explained they are looking to put the canopies on Town property and that lease is currently expired there must be a solution. He recommended the Chairman and one other Selectman get involved and work with the Manager and Counsel. On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to assign the group and the Chairman appointed Selectman Plasko to be a representative.

Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Donohue

Taxes

Tax bills went up. Capital outlay meets the coming Monday and she invites public to attend. Capital items are extra items that come up and add to taxes. Next Tuesday is budget hearings and will be broadcast on television. She suggests cutting back on spending.

Selectman Maloney

Capital Outlay

Next meeting Monday January 23rd at 7 p.m. in room 24. Schools and General Government will be there. Selectman Donohue will represent the Board of Selectmen there.

Chairman Howard

Billboard in South Norwood

Thank you to Madeline Eysie for sending emails about this advertising billboard at the intersection of Washington and Lenox streets showing WeedMaps. This is protected by first amendment rights and the Town can do nothing about it. They refused the request to take it down.

Selectman Plasko

Happy Birthday Bill – his birthday is Saturday.

Election

Chairman Howard announced he would be running for reelection to the Board.

Selectman Bishop

He spoke about his father and how proud he was to see his father serve the public and that is his wish also. Selectman Bishop announced he would be running for reelection.

Manager's Agenda

Breakfast meeting at Blue Hills regarding FY 2018 budget.

The Manager will attend along with Chairman Howard.

Eversource Merger Cost Settlement

This has been postponed for a couple of weeks.

Gerry Miller Retirement letter

The Manager will handle this. Selectman Plasko reminded him of their discussion previously and Selectman Maloney agreed, insisting they post the job. On motion of Selectman Maloney, seconded by Selectman Plasko, voted to instruct the Manager to post the Recreation Supt. Position in accordance with the policy they established.

Manager's Executive Session

Collective Bargaining/police Regulars

Collective Bargaining/Police Superiors

Selectman Donohue requested the Manager correct the two letters, which state that she was present in those meetings when she was not. The Chairman was present.

Adjournment

No other business being presented for consideration, on motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 7:50 p.m.

A True Record.

ATTEST: _____
Assistant