

**Selectmen's Meeting**  
**Room 34, Town Hall**

**July 12, 2022**  
**Meeting is Recorded**

In Attendance: Chairman William Plasko, Vice Chairman Helen Abdallah-Donohue, Selectman Matthew Lane, Selectman Amanda Grow, Selectman Robert Donnelly, Assistant General Manager Michael Rosen, Executive Assistant Jess Jozwik

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer or reflection.

Selectman Donnelly submitted notification of reviewed and approved Warrant Reports that he signed.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted 3-0 to approve meeting minutes for January 25, 2022, February 24, 2022, March 01, 2022, March 15, 2022. Selectmen Donnelly and Grow abstained.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Donohue, the Board voted unanimously to approve meeting minutes for June 14, 2022.

On motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve request for use of car wash lot to benefit the Norwood Golf Team on July 23, 2022 from 9:00am until 1:00pm.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve Submitting request for a One Day Liquor License for Norwood Portuguese Club for a party on July 16, 2022, from 12:00pm until 11:00pm with 80 guests expected, located at 1090 Washington Street.

Resident Dayna Morris submitted request to use the Hawes Park near the overflow ponds, on August 13, 2022 from 1:00 until 2:00pm for a pool party with bouncy house with food being served. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to refer this item to the Manager's office to gather further information and grant approval if this party would be feasible and fall within the rules and regulations.

Meg LaMay, Director of Finance and Accounting, presented information regarding the municipal relief transfer. She explained that at the end of the fiscal year, there were areas of the budget that needed relief due to overages. She showed the Board the areas where the money would be coming from and going to, and explained why it was needed. On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Donohue, the Board voted unanimously to sign this document. The Finance Commission will approve the document at their meeting on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve request to close, on September 17, 2022, from 2:00pm until 6:00pm, Victoria circle from the Nichols Street Rotary & Downing, Avon and Bonney Roads coming off of the circle for a neighborhood block party.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve request to post signs to advertise positions at the Norwood Extended Day program at the following locations:

Nahatan/ Washington Island

Library Area

Across from Conrad's Island area at the lights

Route 1 Plaza Bank of America/Home Depot any grass area

Disabled Veterans Park

Island area at the end of Prospect/Winter Street

Island at the end of Prospect Street margining onto Washington Street

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board voted unanimously to approve Submitting request to use the Town Common on July 22, 2022, from 12:00pm until 2:00pm for a small bake sale run by United Cerebral Palsy clients, pending approval from the Board of Health.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve The Friends of the Library request to put a membership form and information in the December 2022 Light Bill mailings.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the Chairman to sign the Request to Extend Norwood Light Department Cable Negotiations, which are nearly complete.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board voted unanimously to approve request to change the name on the VIF License from AMR Auto Holdings-BN, LLC BMW of Norwood to GPI MA-SB, Inc dba BMW of Norwood for their facility located at 918 Boston Providence Turnpike

The Board reviewed the evidence submitted by Workmen's Hall, 99.5 Wilson St to determine their compliance with the Board's Directives following their May 24, 2022 hearing to determine if the suspended weeks closing should be served or not, and if so, when it will be served. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to inform Workmen's Hall that they do not need to serve the days held in abeyance.

Attorney Karis North joined the Board to talk about the Permanent Hybrid Meeting Legislation. The emergency order granting Town Boards and Committees the opportunity to conduct remote and hybrid meetings is about to expire. There have been additions to the legislation to add additional requirements and burdens on all groups subject to open meeting law. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to have Selectman Grow work with the Manager's office to pen a letter to the representatives in the House and the Senate stating the Town of Norwood's position that a clean extension of current policy was needed, but the additional items adding permanent hybrid meeting legislation and increasing requirements for accessibility without funding from the state (House 4991, section 17 A-J) needed further review and negotiation and should not be part of this legislation.

Peter McFarland and Michelle Toranto from the Norwood Farmer's Market came and presented before the Board. The farmer's market is every Tuesday over the summer from 2pm until 6pm on the Town Common, and they are doing very well, having several vendors from town and nearby.

On motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to file the following memorandum:

Verizon

Submitting notification of pricing changes

Capital Outlay Committee Appointments

Gerri Slater, Town Moderator, submitting notification of appointments to the Capital Outlay Committee: Tom McQuaid of District 3, and Sarah Sullivan of District 9.

Norwood Recreation Department

Submitting monthly activity report for April, May and June of 2022

Norwood Building Department

Submitting monthly activity report for June, 2022

Michael Rosen gave the Managers Office update. He thanked staff for their work on the items for today's agenda, gave an update on summer activities in town, the activities of the Capital Outlay Committee, and told the Board that they would soon have a proposed date for the Fall Town Meeting.

Selectman Grow encouraged community members to watch the re-broadcast of the anti-scam presentation to reduce fraud in the community.

Selectman Donnelly congratulated the new appointments to the Capital Outlay Committee. He mentioned the concert on the common on July 13, where the band Roundhouse will play, which features three Norwood High Graduates. He thanked volunteers for working on the orchard on Mylod Street.

Selectman Lane gave a brief update on the Middle School building project, and would like to speak more on it at the next meeting. He said the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade went well and thanked the volunteers.

Selectman Donohue spoke about the Norwood Hospital demolition beginning. She also thanked everyone who worked on the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. She spoke about Aaron and Martha Greenfield and thanked them for running Brenner's Clothing store and being involved in town upon the occasion of their retirement.

Chairman Plasko announced that the intended Disney movie will not be filming due to some scheduling and casting issues. On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Donohue, the Board voted unanimously to recind their permit. He also reminded the public they have openings on the Personnel Board and asked people to submit to the Talent Bank if they have interest. He announced that the Boch Fund submissions had been reviewed, and almost everyone was awarded some or all of what they asked for. The ones who did not get a portion of the Boch Fund are still being assisted by other sources.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

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Assistant