

Meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 2018 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, William J. Plasko, Helen Abdallah Donohue, Paul A. Bishop and Allan D. Howard. Also present Town Manager Tony Mazzucco, Clerk Frances L. Jessoe and Assistant Christina K. Mulvehill.

Appointments

7:00 P.M. – Supt. Mark Ryan, DPW/Town Engineer:

Mr. Ryan gave the highlights of the department's monthly activities. This month held the dedication of the Norwood Bank Sculpture to John Carroll. The DPW installed Stop, Look and Cross signs around town. The town common was aerated, seeded and top-dressed and it looked great for the NHS Prom event. Flowers have been planted in town thanks to John Shalbey and ROJO, and Household Recycling Day was a success. The summer employees have started working with DPW and Cemetery. Thank you to Paul Ranalli and his crew for getting Old Parish and Highland Cemeteries ready for Memorial Day. Selectman Bishop thanked Mr. Ryan for his support of Patty Fanning and the Old Parish project. Selectmen Howard thanked Mr. Ryan and said the cemetery is wonderful looking. Selectman Donohue said the Public Works employees are out from early morning to late afternoon working and she thanked Mr. Ryan for his good leadership. Mr. Ryan said they have a great crew and are very lucky. Selectman Plasko said Mr. Ryan and the crew are entitled to a pat on the back. It was a tough transition from winter to spring this year, and then things like the statue dedication, Forbes Hill, and the Old Parish restoration were added. They have done a fabulous job of not only the routine things, but all the additional things. Chairman Maloney said Old Parish is really shaping up and Moses Guild's grave has gotten much attention. Memorial Day was great and the cemetery looks great.

Mr. Ryan then introduced Susan Colton, who is the daughter of Abe Shagoury. Mr. Shagoury will be 100 years old on June 30, 2018. In addition to doing a lot of real estate development around town, Mr. Shagoury supported Boy Scouts, Little League and he managed the dump. Mr. Ryan asked for the Board's support to dedicate the traffic island near Mr. Shagoury's house and put a stone with a personal inscription. This would be done at the family's expense but DPW would help them out however possible. Mr. Ryan will work with Mr. Mazzucco on this. On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve as requested. Chairman Maloney said he approached Mr. Shagoury across the grass at his home and Abe told him the whole story about the house he built that he lives in now.

7:30 P.M. – Show Cause Hearing, Anelise, Inc., dba Acapulco's Mexican Family Restaurant, 500 Boston Providence Turnpike:

MGL C, 138, Section 34-Sale of alcoholic beverages to a person under the age of 21

The clerk read the notice

Attorney Nicholas Felici represented Anelise Inc. dba Acapulco's. The manager, Norma Zameno was present with her son. Detective Giacoppo was also present. Counsel had to quarrel with the written report, therefore the reading of the report was waived.

Attorney Felici said they take the responsibility of having a restaurant seriously. This is a family owned and operated restaurant. The bartender on duty that night was very new and had only been on the job for a few weeks. He did not card the customer and the result was his immediate dismissal, per their policy. Attorney Felici spoke about a letter from Chief Brooks from another sting on May 3rd indicating Acapulco's was in full compliance.

Selectman Howard asked if the prior bartender was TIP certified. Attorney Felici said he was, as are all of the Acapulco's bartenders. Selectman Bishop clarified that Acapulco's has a history that goes back

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years. He spoke about an incident that occurred on December 13, 2011 when they came before this Board on the same offense. They were given a one-day suspension, which was waived as there were no more incidents within the following six months. November of 2017 they were given a one-day suspension. He asked why no one was monitoring the bartender because he was so new. Mrs. Zameno said she stayed with the new bartender for one week of training. She apologized for this second violation.

Chairman Maloney asked for any public comments. Seeing none, on motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to close the hearing.

Selectman Bishop suggested a three-day suspension for Thursday June 7, Friday, June 8, and Saturday June 9. Selectman Howard seconded. Selectman Donohue asked about separating the days of suspension. Selectman Plasko agreed that action should be taken but fears being too severe too quickly. Selectman Bishop amended his recommendation to June 8, 9 and 16. Selectman Howard seconded. Selectman Plasko said this is more severe than the first recommendation as it includes two Saturdays. Selectman Donohue suggested June 8, 9, and 15. Selectman Bishop amended his motion to reflect this. Selectman Howard seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the three-day suspension.

7:45 P.M. – Show Cause Hearing, Chipotle Mexican Grill of Colorado, LLC, dba Chipotle Mexican Grill, 1415 Boston Providence Turnpike:

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The clerk read the notice.

In attendance were Christopher Musella, Chipotle Area Manager, and Thomas Roderick, General Manager of Norwood Chipotle. Selectman Plasko said if the Chipotle representatives accepted the written report.

Mr. Musella said the cashier on duty thought the customer was of age and he disregarded the sign that popped up on the cash register asking if he checked the identification. They have since retrained the employee. Alcohol sales represent only 1% of sales. They instituted a program and each cashier operator is spoken to at the beginning of every shift. All the cashiers have gone through training. Mr. Roderick said he believes this is the first violation and it will not happen again. He takes this very seriously.

Selectman Howard asked about the training. Mr. Musella said the cashiers are trained to follow the instructions on the screen, one of which is to check identification when ringing in alcohol purchase.

Selectman Donohue said she knows they run a reputable establishment. She clarified that this restaurant is a buffet/cafeteria type service. Chairman Maloney asked for public comment. There being none, on motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to send letter of admonishment as this is the first offense.

New Business

David N. Franciosi, 43 William Shyne Circle #42:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve application for a Second Hand Dealer's License to operate David N. Franciosi, dba Village Vintage & More, 61 Endicott Street, Bldg. 25 on Friday and Saturday from 10-5 and Sunday 12-5, and waive req. of sections 2 and 4 through 8 inclusive of junk dealer's by-law. Selectman Donohue said Mr. Franciosi has helped with St. George Orthodox and has done international work in Orthodox Church.

Kathleen Kelleher, 20 Fairbanks Street, Wareham:

On motion of Selectman Bishop, seconded by Selectman Donohue, voted to approve. application for a Second Hand Dealer's License to operate White Dog Vintage, 61 Endicott Street, Bldg. 1, on Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 12 to 5 p.m. and waive req. of sections 2 and 4 through 8 inclusive of junk dealer's by-law.

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Chief William G. Brooks III, NPD:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to file liquor incident report for Castle Island Brewery. Incident was investigated by the Norwood Police and there was no evidence of a violation.

Kenneth DeCosta, 77 Cloverdale Road, Newton, MA 02461:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to set up hearing on application for CV License to operate Brookside Café, 1260 Washington Street.

One Day Liquor:

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve Grass Roots Cultural Center, June 2, 12, & 17 and 19 from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve Morse House, Peter Strano, Rotary Club, June 20 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve Portuguese club June 10 and July 1 from 11 am to 11 pm.

Unfinished Business

Middlesex Integrative Medicine, Inc.:

Submitting two checks and application that was submitting to the Zoning Board of Appeals; one for \$10,000 and the other for \$300 for license to operate as a Registered Marijuana Dispensary in the Town of Norwood. This application requires a Special Permit from the Board of Appeal-hearing will be held on June 19, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. (Tabled from May 8, May 22, 2018) On motion of Selectman Plasko, seconded by Selectman Howard, voted to set up meeting on the application on July 10, 2018 and notify the applicants and the Police Chief.

Memoranda

Selectmen's Meetings:

On motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to approve the Board, minutes of the April 24, 2018 meeting.

Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Plasko

Memorial Day

Thank you to Chairman Maloney for representing the Board so well with his speech yesterday at Memorial Day services. It was well written.

Legal Counsel

Asking the Board to consider asking legal counsel to come in to give an update on the pending matter of a developer seeking to put an asphalt plant on University Avenue in Executive Session. The Manager will contact counsel.

Selectman Donohue

Memorial Day

Thanks to all who participated in Memorial Day and congratulations to the Chairman of the Board who delivered a beautiful speech.

Town Meeting

Reminder -Town meeting Thursday night.

Graduating Class

Congratulations to all those graduating from college and from Norwood High. Best wishes to all.

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Selectman Bishop

Chipotle Show Cause Hearing

Selectman Bishop apologized to the Board for not realizing his son was the investigating officer on the Chipotle violation. If he had known he would have declared it before the hearing.

Chairman Maloney

Town Clerk Position and Finance Director Position

He referred to a memo from Michelle Pizzi regarding these two new positions in which she is requesting a liaison from this Board. The Chairman asked Selectman Plasko to continue on.

Memorial Day

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard on this Memorial Day, the Cemetery and DPW Departments and my good friend Dennis Mawn. Senator Rush was present.

Override

There was quite a bit of talk at the last town meeting session when we were discussing the school department budget, about the prospect of and timing of a potential operational override to be put on the ballot in Norwood. The board must be able to discern that there is a minimum threshold of interest, or enough conversation about it deserves to go to the next step. It doesn't mean that the Selectmen are sitting on Mount Olympus and demanding tribute, it is just that it is quite a bit of work, especially for a town that has never done it before, and we would like to see that there are enough voices out there wanting to talk about it and wanting to have this on the ballot. I think that threshold has been met and not just from members of town meeting. There is discussion that the school department does not have sufficient funding year to year and the budget is severely constrained and supplemental funding is desired. I propose if we are going to have this matter as a public discussion, we should insist on two things. Precision – how much money are we talking about and Concision – what exactly is it that we are spending our money on. In order to get answers to those questions would like to ask Mr. Mazzucco to get together with Dr. Thomson and begin to put together the data that the budget balancing sub-committee would need when it resumes its deliberations on June 4th so we can begin the process of how this matter might be put on the ballot in the future.

Selectman Bishop expressed support and he believes there has been discussion about an override but we have to define the override. It's a good idea to have the Manager and the Supt. sit down and find out what the numbers are, where the money needs to be spent, and for what particular project or projects and then take it before the people and let them decide.

Selectman Donohue said there has been discussion about this but there has also been discussion that we may need an override to build a new junior high school, which is very important. How to handle the question of an operational override, without hurting the chances for getting the junior high school. We should proceed with caution and get information out about the reason for an override.

Selectman Plasko said the discussion that came up briefly at town meeting regarding this matter has probably been the most public discussion of this matter, as limited as it was. It didn't clarify things, including my statements. Someone needs to be behind the issue, whether it is the police department needing more money or in this case, the schools. The school department needs to put together what amount of money they need and what it is for and present it and then technically the Board would call an election, but Selectmen don't propose it. It has to come from the need and it has to be clear what that need is. There is a lot going on right now and Mr. Slater of the Finance Commission has mentioned they are looking further into what the needs of an override might be. There is potential debt service overrides for schools buildings. We have to be careful to put all the information on needs together properly so they can be presented in informative way to the public. It would probably be for the town election in April.

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Chairman Maloney said he received email from Dr. Thomson today that they are going to have two three-hour sessions on five-year planning and asked that a member of this board and a member of the finance commission attend. The paid staff, General Manager and Superintendent of Schools should delve into it. Schools were mentioned but it could be general government shared costs as well. The strains are everywhere but it seems most pronounced on the school side.

Manager's Update

Upcoming interviews of legal counsel will be on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Manager commended Mark Ryan on all the work DPW did around town, including the common.

Mr. Mazzucco will be at a conference Thursday and Friday but will be here for town meeting.

Norwood Hospital will sponsor a sunscreen awareness day tomorrow with the Board of Health.

Stop and Look signs have been installed at many of the crosswalks to encourage pedestrians to look before they cross the road. There has been an increase in pedestrian accidents across the country.

Adjournment

No other business being presented for consideration, on motion of Selectman Howard, seconded by Selectman Bishop, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 8:20 p.m.

A True Record.

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Assistant