

# TOWN OF NORTON

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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# BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING FOR MAY 28, 2009

- I. <u>CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN:</u> The May 28, 2009 Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Acting-Chairman, Mr. Kimball
- A. <u>Roll Call</u>: Chairman, Mr. Timothy Giblin was absent due to attending high school graduation ceremony. Messrs. Bradford Bramwell, Robert Kimball; Robert Salvo; and Mrs. Mary Steele were present. Mr. James Purcell, Town Manager, was also present.
  - B. Pledge of Allegiance

# II WARRANTS AND MINUTES

A. Approve bi- weekly payroll for the period ended May 16, 2009, Warrant #69, dated May 21, 2009, in the amount of \$1,079,919.68

MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended May 16, 2009, Warrant #69, dated May 21, 2009, in the amount of \$1,079,919.68. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Approve bills Warrant #70, dated May 21, 2009, in the amount of \$990,210.46 MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to approve bills Warrant #70, dated May 21, 2009, in the amount of \$990,210.46. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
- C. Approve bills Warrant #71, dated May 28, 2009, in the amount of \$412,792.20 MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to approve bills Warrant #71, dated May 28, 2009, in the amount of \$412,792.20. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
  - D. Approve Minutes March 5, 2009 March 12, 2009

MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated March 5, 2009, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: All In Favor, except for Mr. Bramwell voting "present".

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III.LICENSES AND PERMITS

- 1. 7:05 P.M. Application of Barbara Ivory for one-day beer and wine license to be utilized at Norton Outdoor Center, 290 W. Main St., August 15, 2009, 12:00 Noon 7:00 P.M., for private party
- Mr. Purcell said Everett Leonard complex opening in question.
- Mr. Kimball said Recreation had a tough year maintaining program.
- Mr. Purcell said opening/closing of pool, etc. costs money. An agreement to be made between Recreation and YMCA occurred and will discuss later.
- MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to approve Application of Barbara Ivory for one-day beer and wine license to be utilized at Norton Outdoor Center, 290 W. Main St., August 15, 2009, 12:00 Noon 7:00 P.M., for private party. Second by Mr. Salvo. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
- 2. 7:10 P.M. Request of Morton E. Morin, Commander, Disabled American Veterans Cpl. William F. Reardon, Chapter 57, Taunton, MA for annual "Forget-Me-Not" drive, to be held in Norton (locations and time to be advised), July 31, 2009 and August 1, 2009
- Mr. Kimball stated Mr. Morin was unable to attend this Board of Selectmen meeting this evening.
- MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to approve Request of Morton E. Morin, Commander, Disabled American Veterans Cpl. William F. Reardon, Chapter 57, Taunton, MA for annual "Forget-Me-Not" drive, to be held in Norton (locations and time to be advised), July 31, 2009 and August 1, 2009. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
- 3. Transfer of the following licenses previously held by 5980, Inc. d/b/a Sportsway Cafe, 57 West Main Street, to 33 Investing Corp. d/b/a Sportsway Cafe, same address:

Common Victualler's
Jukebox; Live Entertainment; DJ/Dancing
2 Video Games; 1 Pinball Game; 2 Pool tables

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Common Victualler's Jukebox; Live Entertainment; DJ/Dancing

# 2 Video Games; 1 Pinball Game; 2 Pool tables

Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

4. Amend location of one-day beer and wine license for Eric Johansmeyer, voted at the May 14, 2009 meeting, from Norton Outdoor Center, 290 W. Main St., to the Everett Leonard Facility, Parker Street, same date and time

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# IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### V. BUSINESS

## A. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Mary Bennett, Co-Chair, Relay for Life of Greater Attleboro, June 12-13, 2009, at North Attleboro High School
- Ms. Bennett wanted to extend an invite and celebrate survivorship and remember those not with us any longer. This is an 18 hour event and their Relay is 11 years old this year. There are various programs and some programs Relay assists with is camps for children; Hope Lodge (home away from home) and three Hope Lodges one in Vermont, one in Worcester and one in Boston. Date of Relay is June 12-13 at North Attleboro High School Track. She explained Relay in further detail. Website is: <a href="https://www.relayforlife.org/greater-Attleboro">www.relayforlife.org/greater-Attleboro</a>.
- 2. Amend Award of Bid, voted at the May 14, 2009 meeting, for Diesel Fuel Winter Blend, from Global Montello, to Dennis K. Burke
  - Mr. Purcell stated Cindy Jamieson at Project Spoke reversing award letter; made on May 14 and reasons unexplained but told should be given to Dennis K. Burke. It is in "increments" not fuel price. He was aware with Burke there was not a minimal drop requirement.
  - MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to rescind vote of Board of Selectmen of May 14, 2009 (regarding above). Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES

# MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to amend award of bid voted at the May

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14, 2009 meeting, for Diesel Fuel Winter Blend, from Global Montello; to Dennis K. Burke. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

#### **B. OLD BUSINESS**

## C. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

It was noted there were three parties interested in opening of assessors position.

Mr. Kimball asked to have candidates come in for interview and assessors office to be present also; possibly on June 4 (next Board of Selectmen meeting).

Mr. Purcell said he believed a fourth person came in by 5/22/09 deadline; so possibly a fourth candidate.

Mr. Kimball spoke of a letter of interest from Mr. Samuel Arena in regard to the Cemetery Commission. Mr. Rich is interested and should bring in Mr. Arena as well.

## VI. SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND MAIL

### VII. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

## 1. Discussion – FY2010 Operating Budget

Mr. Purcell spoke of some fresh info: Senate Ways & Means (he knew they would follow same path) and follow with a debate of new revenue sources. Something significant happened in between; a consensus Fiscal 10 revenue figure.

\$19.5B FY10 dropped to \$18.0B when House voted to raise sales tax for anticipated new revenue back into local aid (House added \$204M back in).

Senate amended their local aid proposal by adding \$43M back in. Differences in Norton with competing versions is almost \$718,000.

The Governor has vowed to veto sales tax bill.

Mr. Purcell said local aid comparisons were in Board's packets for perusal and he explained such.

June 8 Town Meeting was referenced and \$15,284,326 is number of local aid revenue

Between new growth number and overlay surplus number = about \$400,000.

Senate number is lower one and House number is higher number. Senate = \$15.3M; House = \$16M. Discussion followed.

Mr. Purcell said he worked out some general plans for job losses and there will be some job losses. The school is doing the same. He will meet with superintendent the next day.

Mrs. Steele recognized it must be frustrating for he and Dr. Ansay and suggested they plan for worst case scenario, and agreed with Finance Committee (FinCom) with number of \$15.5M.

Mr. Kimball said he agreed with that number (\$15.5M) and said they should be ultra conservative and it is easier to add than subtract.

Mr. Purcell said \$15.5M close enough to the worst case scenario. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Bramwell said he thought \$15.4M would be good number to start at.

School choice sending districts was discussed.

Mr. Purcell said some Norton residents send kids to other school districts. It is \$5,000 per student for receiving districts/Norton is not "receiving" but "sending".

MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to use \$15,500,000 for local aid number/figure. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Purcell explained the other handout the Board has seen previously, regarding property tax collections and a better measure is needed. Surplus could be rolled over and put into shortfall possibly. Core mission won't be compromised much more than it has already hopefully.

Mr. Kimball encouraged Board of Selectmen as the first few weeks of July are difficult; consider end of July to possibly get people involved if needed at Town Meeting. Many people saying first few weeks of July vacations are being taken.

# VIII. <u>NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA</u>

## IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION was made at 8:10 p.m. by Mrs. Steele to enter into Executive Session for purpose of collective bargaining and to return to open session for purpose of Adjournment. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to Adjourn at 9:46 p.m. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

#### XI. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS

Respectfully Submitted by:

Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting of May 28, 2009

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN:** 

Timothy R. Giblin, Chairman

Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Vice-Chairman

Robert S. Salvo, Sr., Clerk

Bradford K. Bramwell

Mary T. Steele

Dated: /0/15/09