

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING
JUNE 14, 2012**

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

The June 14, 2012, Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mr. Kimball, Acting-Chairman, at 7:00 p.m., held in the First Floor Selectmen's Conference Room in the Municipal Center.

A. Roll Call: Mr. Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Vice-Chair (acting as Chair this evening due to Mr. Giblin's absence); Bradford K. Bramwell; and Mrs. Mary T. Steele were present. Absent: Mr. Timothy Giblin, Chairman, and Mr. Robert S. Salvo, Sr., Clerk. Mr. Michael Ynits, Town Manager, was also present.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. WARRANTS AND MINUTES

A. Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended June 9, 2012, Warrant #74, dated June 14, 2012, in the amount of \$3,907,200.36

MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended June 9, 2012, Warrant #74, dated June 14, 2012, in the amount of \$3,907,200.36. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. Approve bills Warrant #75, dated June 14, 2012, in the amount of \$333,467.75

MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to Approve bills Warrant #75, dated June 14 2012, in the amount of \$333,467.75. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

D. Minutes – No Minutes were reviewed/approved.

III. LICENSES AND PERMITS

1. Application of J&F Norton Group, LLC d/b/a Mangia Pizzeria, 288 East Main Street, Norton, MA for a Common Victualler's License

No member of audience spoke in favor or not in favor of this Application when asked by Mr. Kimball.

MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to approve Application of J&F Norton Group, LLC d/b/a Mangia Pizzeria, 288 East Main Street, Norton, MA for a Common Victualler's License. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTIN CARRIES.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. Award Contract for the FY2013 Revaluation/Certification

It was discussed the Board of Assessors voted to recommend and to award the contract to pkValuation Group, a division of Paul S. Kapinos & Associates, Inc.

MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to Award Contract for the FY2013 Revaluation/Certification to pkValuation Group, a division of Paul S. Kapinos & Associates, Inc., as recommended by the Board of Assessors. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

2. Vote to accept gift of \$2,500.00 from an anonymous donor for the exclusive use of the Norton Police Department's Honor Guard

Mr. Yunits stated gift was given to Chief of Police Clark and check was delivered June 5, 2012 for purpose of the Norton Police Department Honor Guard. Donor is a client of Attorney Henri Sousa and only use of this money is for Honor Guard. Letter received by Attorney Sousa was referenced.

Mr. Bramwell said it is a wonderful gift to Norton's Honor Guard who were awarded this award at Aquidneck Island Parade.

MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to accept gift of \$2,500.00 from an anonymous donor for the exclusive use of the Norton Police Department's Honor Guard. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

3. Award SERSG Bid for FY2013 De-Icing Supplies

Mr. Yunits stated SERSG recommends bid for \$1.23 per gallon (5,000 gallon = \$6,150 total cost). It was noted it was a new chemical.

MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to award SERSG Bid for FY2013 De-Icing Supplies to Innovative Municipal Products, Glenmont, New York, at \$1.23 per gallon. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Update – North Worcester Street Water Project

Mr. Yunits said Water and Sewer project is moving along on North Worcester Street. They plan to be working from 7:30 a.m. until approximately 5:30 p.m., starting 6/25 until 7/6/12. Street to be closed between Walker Street and Richardson Avenue and only emergency vehicles will be allowed to pass through. Three detail police officers to be on hand. It appears all town departments are ok with it.

MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to approve the specified detour plan as proposed by Water and Sewer Department and referenced above. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

.....

Mr. Yunits stated he met with Mr. Gay of GATRA and Dick Leitch, Norton's GATRA rep, and they will come before Board regarding 1) Wheaton fees and 2) Discussion on SRPEDD to do study on Commerce Center (possible transportation into Park and what cost will be). Mr. Yunits added, he also provided Mr. Gay the letter, dated June 11, 2012, regarding MBTA support by Norton Board of Selectmen, relating to the "MBTA Bailout".

Mr. Yunits referenced DOT (Dept. of Transportation) communication regarding plan for Plain Street bridge to be replaced for 2014 (over Canoe River).

Mr. Yunits indicated a letter needed to be written/sent out regarding Ch90 money; Transportation Bond Bill being "hung up". Until money is released, Town of Norton cannot go out and do road projects. Delay causes Town to not do projects.

.....

A recruit from fire academy is planning to graduate on June 22, 2012.

.....

Taunton Casino Meeting planned for June 20th at 6 p.m. at Taunton High School; and put on by federal government. First forum on the environmental impact.

Monday morning is a meeting re: regional planning issues, which Mr. Yunits will attend re: casinos.

Mr. Kimball discussed the Mashpee-Wampanoag Tribe Casino and concerns regarding public safety, community charter and negative impacts. Mr. Kimball said, he believed, they have until July 2, 2012, to make Norton's comments heard and request an impact study (Town department heads involved in this also).

It was noted the Board of Selectmen meeting for next week may possibly be canceled, as Wednesday is the meeting regarding casino.

Mr. Kimball said he is not opposed to casino; he is pro-jobs, and also spoke of the financial impact. However, the Board needs to protect Norton's interest.

.....

Mr. Kimball respectfully requested Mr. Yunits send letter regarding Island Brook to Mass Housing. Mr. Kimball said he finds it ludicrous they approved it as wrong route is noted on plan, etc.

Mrs. Steele suggested to also send a copy to Boston Globe since they published a similar article recently. Norton was also mentioned in article.

Mr. Kimball said this proposed project is in river or near river and common drive does not connect are only some of the issues.

Mrs. Steele said if State is approving projects like this, is State going to be responsible for flooded basements, etc.?

Mr. Kimball said insurance is expensive. An example needs to be made of this (engineering work not done correctly and they were under assumption they would get sewerage from Town of Norton). Norton has certain legal rights and also Town owns land around it, so Norton definitely has legal rights. Discussion ensued.

Intent of Ch40B was discussed.

.....

Mr. Bramwell spoke of various speed limit signage in area of crosswalks near Wheaton College.

Mr. Yunits said he will talk to Mr. Silver, Highway Superintendent regarding it. It was discussed it should be 25 to 40 to 25 mph.

C. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

VI. SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND MAIL

VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

1. Regional Meeting on Taunton Casino

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

IX. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to Adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous.
MOTION CARRIES.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Janet A. Sweeney

Board of Selectmen – Recording Secretary

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING OF
JUNE 14, 2012**

Timothy R. Giblin, Chairman

Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Vice-Chair

Robert S. Salvo, Sr., Clerk

Mary T. Steele

Bradford K. Bramwell

Date Approved:_____

Documents Distributed/Reviewed at June 14, 2012, Board of Selectmen Meeting

. Application of J&F Norton Group, LLC d/b/a Mangia Pizzeria, 288 East Main Street, Norton, MA for a Common Victualler's License

. Letter dated June 6, 2012, from Attorney Henry J. Sousa, Jr, re: Honor Guard Doantion addressed to Brian J. Clark, Chief of Police

. Letter, dated June 11, 2012, from Mr. Yunits, Town Manager, Town of Norton, regarding MBTA support by Norton Board of Selectmen, relating to the "MBTA bailout bill", which was sent to Senator Timilty, Representative Jay Barrows, and Representative Elizabeth Poirier.

. Letter, dated June 8, 2012, addressed to Michael D. Yunits, Town Manager, Town of Norton, from Lisa Cathcart, Director of Assessing, Re: "FY2013 Revaluation Certification Contract