

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
DECEMBER 18, 2014**

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN**

The December 18, 2014, Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mrs. Steele, Chairman, at 7:00 p.m., held in the First Floor Selectmen's Conference Room.

- A. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Mary Steele, Chairman; Mr. Bradford Bramwell, Vice-Chair; Mr. Timothy R. Giblin, Clerk; Mr. Robert W. Kimball, Jr.; and Mr. Robert S. Salvo, Sr. were present. Mr. Michael Yunits, Town Manager, was also present.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

**II. WARRANTS AND MINUTES**

- A. Approve bills Warrant #37, dated December 18, 2014, in the amount of \$361,043.60

**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve bills Warrant #37, dated December 18, 2014, in the amount of \$361,043.60. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

- B. Approve Minutes – September 18, 2014  
October 20, 2014

**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated September 18, 2014, as written. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated October 20, 2014, as written. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**III. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

1. 7:10 P.M. – Attorney Daniel M. Rich Re: Sportsman's Café, 13 South Worcester Street, All Alcoholic Liquor License renewal

Attorney Rich said Mr. Ferreira passed away on November 8, 2014. Mary Manchester, who is in audience, will take over business. It was noted Mr. Ferreria had no will. Everyone is in agreement with this and the oldest brother, Robert A. Ferreria, is the personal representative. They did not want license to lapse. Attorney Rich further explained process.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to transfer the license of Sportsman's Café, 13 South Worcester Street, Norton, MA, to Robert A. Ferreira, personal representative of estate of Laurence Ferreria, effective upon approval by the Court as of January 1, 2015.**

**Friendly Amendment by Mr. Bramwell: This license is under Laurence Ferreria's name currently and should be transferred to Robert A. Ferreira for remainder of this year and based upon approval of Court.**

**Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

There was discussion on checking with Town Counsel regarding license holder issue.

2. 2015 License Renewals

**MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve the 2015 License Renewal for a CV (Common Victualler) for AC Main St. Donuts, LLC d/b/a Dunkin Donuts, 103 West Main Street. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve the 2015 License Renewal for a CV (Common Victualler) for The Best Sandwich Shop, Inc., 175 Mansfield Avenue. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve the 2015 License Renewal for a CV (Common Victualler) for Uncle Ed's Front Porch, Inc., 416 Old Colony Road. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There will be a fundraiser for the Master Sgt. Gregory Trent Memorial on March 6 from 6-9 P.M. with Spirit Medium, Kathy Ripley Green, held at the TPC of Boston on Mansfield Avenue. Tickets are \$50.00 each.

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It was noted the Town Hall will be closed at 1 P.M. on Wednesday, December 24, which is Christmas Eve day, and also closed on Thursday and Friday, December 25 and 26 respectively.

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Representative Kennedy will be at the Norton Public Library on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M.

**V. BUSINESS**

**A. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Vote to approve and authorize the Chairman, Mary T. Steele, to sign the Landfill Lease and Power Purchase Agreements between the Town and Citizens Enterprise Corporation

Mr. Yunits explained this was to authorize Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to sign contract; \$80,000/year lease and whatever is worked out for a pilot, with power purchase - \$183,000 savings the first year. This is a 20 year agreement and needs to go to State for 15 days for review by them.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve and authorize the Chairman, Mary T. Steele, to sign the Landfill Lease and Power Purchase Agreements between the Town and Citizens Enterprise Corporation. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

2. Discussion Re: Town Common Improvements and Library Square

Mr. Kimball said there is a person/architect who will help with designing a layout of actual Town Common; this person did same for common in West Mansfield a couple of years ago.

Mr. Kimball said Board could consider a vote regarding Mansfield Avenue; left at Library square. This Board of Selectmen is making it a one way road which they had discussed.

Mr. Yunits responded he will check this with town counsel to see if a public hearing is needed.

Mr. Kimball said at the first meeting of the Board of Selectmen of the new year, they should discuss this, and need to also notify Wheaton College. He believed a public hearing will be appropriate and necessary to notify abutters. He did not believe it would need to be advertised.

Mrs. Steele said it would be a good idea to have Town Counsel opine on this and to add this to agenda of 1/15/15.

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

**C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Yunits referenced a letter he had received from a resident regarding her electric bill. There could be a substantial increase in January/February and decreased a bit in March. A website is set up on Energy Aggregation with a link to it on the Town's website, which provides info, etc. Mr. Yunits said he is awaiting on other towns' interest regarding this.

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Mr. Yunits communicated the School Committee voted to allow Housing Authority to tie in. Also Water & Sewer Department was contacted by School Dept. regarding L.G. Nourse school which has issues.

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Mr. Yunits said ALL meeting has been rescheduled to January and will not be held on a Monday or Thursday evening, so it will not conflict with a Board of Selectmen meeting.

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Mr. Yunits noted there was a \$300M problem with the State budget; it could be even 3x that amount.

**D. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**

It was noted Bill Avril is resigning from the Gold Star Committee. Mr. Kimball said his time and energy was appreciated.

Mr. Kimball said the Gold Star Committee is very active and could use that fifth person and if any resident is interested in serving, please send a letter of interest to the Town Hall.

Mrs. Steele said the Board needs a list from Michelle from Town Manager's Office, regarding which boards/committees are currently seeking members.

**VI. SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND MAIL**

Mr. Giblin attended the Menorah Lighting at the Town Common with many people attending. This was the 8<sup>th</sup> year and thanked John Drobbins who built menorah and he also lit the first candle. Mr. Giblin said it was a privilege to attend.

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Mr. Kimball stated he received a call from a Hill Street resident regarding increase in traffic in that area and questioned if the Town can shut down truck traffic on that road.

Mr. Kimball said the Town cannot shut down truck traffic since there are other neighboring towns on this road. To discuss this with Taunton would be a good idea as Norton is taking brunt of additional traffic. He asked Mr. Yunits to send a letter to city of Taunton to assist Norton; obtain additional funding to alleviate some traffic issues, especially as Taunton continues to rebuilt their industrial park. Mr. Kimball said he is certain there is funding available. Also, it would be beneficial to conduct a traffic study. Possibly roads can be made wider. It is essential to open up a dialog with Taunton.

Mr. Kimball wished everyone happy holidays!

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Mr. Bramwell said recently some Board members saw the new ambulance at Norton Fire Department. This ambulance is very high-tech (similar to a small emergency room on wheels). The Norton Fire Department has great pride in equipment and the job they do. He wanted to thank them for the tour and the job they do for the Town of Norton.

**VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA**

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Adjourn at 8:17 P.M. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Janet A. Sweeney  
Board of Selectmen – Recording Secretary

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**MARY T. STEELE, CHAIRMAN**

**BRADFORD K. BRAMWELL, VICE-CHAIR**

**TIMOTHY R. GIBLIN, CLERK**

**ROBERT W. KIMBALL, JR.**

**ROBERT S. SALVO, SR.**

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Documents Distributed/Reviewed at December 18, 2014, Board of Selectmen Meeting**

- . Draft Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting: September 18, 2014 and October 20, 2014
  
- . Memorandum dated December 18, 2014, addressed to Board of Selectmen, from Danielle M. Sicard, Town Clerk, Re: Resignation from Bill Avril, Gold Star Committee effective December 18, 2014 (Term to expire June 30, 2017).
  
- . Landfill Lease and Power Purchase Agreements between the Town and Citizens Enterprise Corporation