

# TOWN OF NORTON

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN MUNICIPAL CENTER, 70 EAST MAIN STREET, NORTON, MA 02766

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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING AUGUST 20, 2015

#### I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

The August 20, 2015, Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mr. Bramwell, Chairman, at 7:00 P.M., held in the First Floor Conference Room.

- A. <u>ROLL CALL</u>: Mr. Bradford Bramwell, Chairman; Mr. Timothy R. Giblin, Vice-Chair; Mr. Robert S. Salvo, Jr.; and Mrs. Mary T. Steele were present. Absent: Mr. Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Clerk. Mr. Michael Yunits, Town Manager, was also present.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. WARRANTS AND MINUTES
- A. Approve bills Warrant #10, dated August 13, 2015, in the amount of \$207,573.93

  MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve bills Warrant #10, dated August 13, 2015, in the amount of \$207,573.93. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended August 15, 2015, Warrant #11, dated August 20, 2015, in the amount of \$518,786.78

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended August 15, 2015, Warrant #11, dated August 20, 2015, in the amount of \$518,786.78. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Approve bills Warrant #12, dated August 20, 2015, in the amount of \$81,624.53

  MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve bills Warrant #12, dated August 20, 2015, in the amount of \$81,624.53. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
- D. Approve Minutes May 7, 2015 Executive Session

  May 21, 2015 Executive Session

  June 11, 2015 Executive Session

  April 9, 2015

April 16, 2015

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting of the Executive Session dated May 7, 2015, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: All In Favor, except for Mr. Bramwell, who abstained. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting of the Executive Session dated May 21, 2015, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: All In Favor, except for Mr. Bramwell, who abstained. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting of the Executive Session dated June 11, 2015, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: All In Favor, except for Mr. Bramwell, who abstained. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated April 9, 2015, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated April 16, 2015, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

#### III. LICENSES AND PERMITS

1. Application of Andrea Falciano, for a one-day All Alcohol license to be utilized at Everett Leonard Park, Saturday, August 22, 2015, 12:00 Noon – 6:00 P.M., for a private party

About 30 people will be attending this private party. This was also signed off by the Fire Chief and Police Chief.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve Application of Andrea Falciano, for a one-day All Alcohol license to be utilized at Everett Leonard Park, Saturday, August 22, 2015, 12:00 Noon – 6:00 P.M., for a private party. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

2. Request of George Ibrahim, Trans International Auto, Inc. d/b/a Route 123 Motors, 406 Old Colony Road, for an increase in vehicles, from 14 to 40 vehicles

Ms. Ibrahim said they need more of a variety of vehicles which they can hold on the lot. Once blacktop was placed, they had a lot of space. The license is for 14 currently, but it looks empty.

Mr. Giblin said this business looks attractive. He asked if abutters were notified?

Ms. Ibrahim responded she was not aware that had to be done.

Mr. Giblin said it does not have to be done, but it may be a good thing to do.

Mr. Giblin said he personally would prefer to notify abutters. He said he was not necessarily against the increase. Possibly they can have additional parking spaces for customers.

Ms. Ibrahim said even an increase to 35 cars would work for them.

Mr. Salvo said he noticed the parking lot looked a bit thin; having more vehicles there is probably a good idea.

Mr. Yunits stated he did not think it is a requirement to notify the abutters, but it may be a good idea.

Mr. Bramwell respectfully requested the Applicant notify abutters and the Board will meet again in two weeks.

#### IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Day of Remembrance Blood Drive to be held Friday, September 11, 2015, from 7 a.m. to 7	p.m. at
Fenway Park, Gate D, Yawkey Way, Boston, MA (1-800-RED CROSS or redcrossblood.org).	

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2015 Norton Reservoir Clean Up Day to be held September 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. For more info, contact Norton Kayak Co. at 508-740-7728 or <a href="mailto:info@nortonkayakco.com">info@nortonkayakco.com</a>.

VFW Post 8049 is planning on renovating their entryway of the building with a full commemorative Circle of Flags with a flag for each branch of the armed forces and the center piece will be the American Flag. Donations are being accepted. Please call 508-285-3845 with any questions.

#### V. BUSINESS

#### A. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Interviews for Constable appointment, to fill vacancy

Mr. Charles Hadayia, Mr. Michael J. Mayer, and Mr. Jerold S. Loomis were the three candidates.

Mr. Loomis introduced himself and said he resided in Holbrook and stated he was a full time constable since 1990 and previously a campus police officer and a special officer in Holbrook. He has been appointed in 13 cities and towns. His office has over 70 subcontractors. He said constables need to pay municipal fees to the cities and towns. He said he was also current on ethics certification. He also maintains a close relationship within the communities. He said he places notices and does not charge the towns. Mr. Loomis said he believed he would be an asset to the Town of Norton.

Mr. Loomis stated he belongs to the Massachusetts Bay Constable Association. He is also bonded and has liability insurance. He does do arrests and because of transportation of prisoners, he needs insurance to do so. He also has a license to carry a firearm and this is a full-time job for him.

Mr. Mayer introduced himself and said he was born in Boston and moved to Brockton and attended the Brockton school system, and then attended Bridgewater State College, majoring in political science. He is a Norton resident and has children and grandchildren. He was impressed when he moved to Norton; he likes the small town atmosphere and always attends the Founder's Day picnic, and takes a day off to attend the Veteran's Day Parade. He has been looking forward to this opportunity for a long time. He has been appointed as one of the constables in Mansfield for the past three years and is part of the Constable Association. This position has a lot of intricacies and needs to be done in a particular fashion for adequate and viable service.

Mr. Giblin asked if constable training was part of his experience as well?

Mr. Mayer responded, yes, training included seminars and intricacies of process servers. He also does have a license to carry. Mr. Mayer said he is also bonded and has liability insurance.

Mr. Giblin asked if it was ok for him to serve as a constable in more than one town?

Mr. Mayer responded, yes, a person can be a constable in various communities.

Discussion ensued on how to have access to a constable. Possibly they could have a link on the Town website.

Mr. Yunits said most people should know to call town clerk's office to acquire a constable.

Mr. Hadayia, one of the applicants, departed the meeting and never returned to be interviewed.

Mr. Bramwell said there are two people present this evening who are willing and able to fill positions.

Mr. Giblin stated both candidates are qualified, etc.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to appoint Mr. Michael J. Mayer, Sr. and Mr. Jerold S. Loomis as constables for the Town of Norton, with the term to be effective to April 2016, and the Board respectfully requested they contact town clerk to provide the bond, and it will be provisional on Police Chief to conduct background check/CORI. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

2. <u>Vote to sign the Norton Police Association Town of Norton Memorandum of Agreement</u>
Mr. Yunits stated this was signed by the Union on August 11<sup>th</sup>; there are five copies the
Board would need to sign. BOS will need to sign.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to authorize to sign the Norton Police Association Town of Norton Memorandum of Agreement as written. Roll Call: In Favor of Motion: Mr. Salvo, Mrs. Steele, and Mr. Giblin. Abstaining: Mr. Bramwell. MOTION CARRIES.

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

#### C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

#### . Library Square

Mr. Yunits stated Library Square is now a one-way and signage should be up.

Mr. Bramwell said as of 5:00 P.M. this evening, he did not see signage up.

#### . 274 East Main Street Construction Time Line Update

Mr. Yunits said he, Mr. Salvo and Mr. Silver, Highway Superintendent, met Tuesday of this week with the superintendent on the construction job. This was the second or third supervisor and a new superintendent will start the following week. As of now, they should be finishing down to Red Mill Village the pressure testing of main, but there are leaks, so they said it was impossible that they will meet timeline. As soon as water main is up and running, Mr. Silver wants them to mill the area where they have worked to enable it suitable enough for driving.

Mrs. Steele said as road commissioners, she wondered if the Board of Selectmen could place a cease and desist?

Mr. Salvo spoke of the safety issues in that area.

Mr. Yunits indicated he spoke to an official of Campanelli also and recommended he should take a look at this.

Mr. Salvo thought it would be two weeks out for the bad road conditions for paving.

Mr. Salvo said in order for them to get the leaks handled, he did not think a cease and desist would be best.

Mrs. Steele recommended holding an emergency meeting next week regarding this, because if they don't present a plan, they should be shut down.

Mr. Salvo said they cannot do anything until the water passes the pressure test.

Mr. Bramwell suggested to see if the Board can get a meeting posted for next week at 7:00 P.M. (possiblyTuesday of next week), and if they find the problem, and move it along, then the meeting can be cancelled.

Mrs. Steele said they should be advised to plan for a meeting of Tuesday of next week.

#### . Energy Aggregation Update

Mr. Yunits said the hearing on this is on August 26 and he will update the Board at that time.

#### . Town Meeting possible By-Law Articles

Mr. Yunits referenced some potential Articles to see if the Board of Selectmen would be supportive:

- 1. Need a bylaw in order for a billboard to happen. There is no provision in the Town's bylaw to provide billboards, therefore, Attorney Quirk will work with the Town regarding this.
- 2. Mr. Yunits said he also wants to talk to Assessors regarding the Senior Work Program. He indicated minimum wage is increasing \$1.00 an hour per year. Could possibly increase hours; also an income maximum guideline is a possibility and this would be something for the Board to think about. Mr. Yunits indicated he has asked town managers in neighboring communities as to what they do regarding this.

#### . GATRA Dial-A-Ride - Saturday Service

Mr. Gay of GATRA will attend a Board of Selectmen meeting on September 17. Some people have called Town Hall to see if they can utilize Dial-A-Ride on Saturdays. If people contact the Council on Aging, there are a couple of volunteers who will drive/assist on various days of the week.

Mr. Salvo said a survey was sent out to Housing Authority and senior citizens in Norton. If the Town can show a need for this to be warranted for Saturdays, that would be helpful.

#### E. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

Reappointment of Francis Reynolds to the Permanent Building Committee for a term of three (3) years, to expire June 30, 2018

Mr. Bramwell said Mr. Reynolds indicated his willingness to serve on a six month trial period.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Francis Reynolds to the Permanent Building Committee for a term of three (3) years to expire June 30, 2018. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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#### Appointment of Provisional Lieutenant in the Norton Fire Department

Correspondence from Town Manager to the Board of Selectmen regarding the appointment on August 18, 2015, of Kevin K. Schleicher to the position of Provisional Lieutenant in the Norton Fire Department, with request to make date effective August 23, 2015.

Mr. Yunits explained the Provisional Lieutenant fills the vacancy until the next exam. There would not be a lieutenant on that shift if this is not done.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to accept the Appointment of Kevin K. Schleicher to the position of Provisional Lieutenant in the Norton Fire Department, effective August 23, 2015. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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

Mr. Giblin referenced the Bylaw Committee which the Board had spoken about in the past and he asked if the Board could readdress this in late September. He also stated he would be happy to serve on the
Committee.
Mr. Salvo said the Downtown Café officially had opening last Saturday and it was very busy, and the ice cream place directly across from it opened as well. The newly opened Tavern 33 appears to have an abundance of cars in parking lot which is good to see.
Mr. Salvo said he had spoken to the Town Manager regarding an issue on Lake Winnecunnet. He understands water skiing lessons are taking place there and a person has been asking people to leave when in row boats, etc. No one has the right to ask people to leave the lake as it is a public lake. He will obtain more info and send it to Jennifer Carlino, Conservation Agent.

Mr. Bramwell said he and Mr. Giblin visited the most recent Boston Post Cane recipient and now have the cane in their possession. The last recipient was very nice to talk to and pleased they had stopped by, and she received a Boston Post Cane pin.

- VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA
- VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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### IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Adjourn at 8: 12 P.M. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Vanet A. Sweeney

Board of Selectmen – Recording Secretary

#### Documents Distributed/Reviewed at August 20, 2015, Board of Selectmen Meeting

- . Board of Selectmen Draft Minutes of Meeting dated May 7, 2015 (Executive Session); May 21, 2015 (Executive Session); June 11, 2015 (Executive Session); April 9, 2015; April 16, 2015
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- . Correspondence/Request dated August 17, 2015 of George Ibrahim, owner, Trans International Auto, Inc. d/b/a Route 123 Motors, 406 Old Colony Road, for an increase in vehicles, from 14 to 40 vehicles
- . Memorandum dated August 18, 2015, addressed to the Board of Selectmen, from Michael D. Yunits, Town Manager, Re: Notice of Appointment of Provisional Lieutenant-Kevin K. Schleicher
- . Letter of Interest in constable position from Jerold S. Loomis, addressed to Board of Selectmen
- . Letter of Interest in constable position from Michael J. Mayer, Sr., addressed to Board of Selectmen
- . Letter of Interest in constable position from Charles J. Hadayia, addressed to Board of Selectmen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING OF

AUGUST 20, 2015

BRADFORD K. BRAMWELL, CHAIRMAN

TIMOTHY R. GIBLIN, VICE-CHAIR

ROBERT W. KIMBALL, JR., CLERK

ROBERT S. SALVO, SR.

MARY T. STEELE

Dated: 1916