



TOWN OF NORTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING
APRIL 14, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

The April 14, 2016, Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mr. Bradford Bramwell, at 7:00 P.M., held in the First Floor Conference Room.

- A. ROLL CALL: Mr. Bradford K. Bramwell, Chairman; Mr. Timothy R. Giblin, Vice-Chair; Mr. Robert K. Kimball, Jr., Clerk; and Mrs. Mary T. Steele were present. Absent: Mr. Robert S. Salvo, Jr. Mr. Michael Yunits, Town Manager, was also present.

- B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. WARRANTS AND MINUTES

- A. Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended April 9, 2016, Warrant #62, dated April 14, 2016, in the amount of \$1,180,886.06

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended April 9, 2016, Warrant #62, dated April 14, 2016, in the amount of \$1,180,886.06. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Approve bills Warrant #63, dated April 14, 2016, in the amount of \$108,676.76
MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Approve bills Warrant #63, dated April 14, 2016, in the amount of \$108,676.76. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Approve Minutes – March 3, 2016

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated March 3, 2016, as written. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

III. LICENSES AND PERMITS

1. Application of IGRANT Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Travelli's Pizzeria for transfer of the Common Victualler's License issued to IGRANT Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Mangia Neopolitan Pizzeria, 288 East Main Street, Norton, MA 02766

President of corporation was present. It was noted there would be a name change to restaurant and a change of stockholders. It will be under new management.

Mr. Kimball said the Board needs to have the name of the new manager.

Applicant responded the name should be on the application; the name of the new manager is Craig Somers. There will be a slight change in menu, with lower prices, friendly service, and they deliver.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve Application of IGRANT Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Travelli's Pizzeria for transfer of the Common Victualler's License issued to IGRANT Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Mangia Neopolitan Pizzeria, 288 East Main Street, Norton, MA 02766. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Offices will be closed Monday, April 18, 2016, in Observance of Patriot's Day.

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Finance Committee will hold a Public Hearing next week, Wednesday, April 20, 2016 on the Proposed Budget, at 7:45 P.M.

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Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee 29th Annual Awareness Day in conjunction with the Easton Water Division Open House will be held Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 10 A.M. to 12 P.M., at 417 Bay Road.

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A meeting will be held at the Norton Historical Society at the Old School House on April 19 (Tuesday) at 7 P.M., and Town Manager, Mr. Yunits, will share his Red Sox memorabilia.

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Norton Veteran's Council will hold the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 30, 2016, with step-off from the H.A. Yelle School beginning at 10 A.M.

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V. BUSINESS

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. Regional Dispatch Planning Committee Appointments

This will include the towns of Foxboro, Norton, Easton, and Mansfield and a request was received of Mike Flaherty of Finance Committee, and Ray Cord, Emergency Management Director, who said they would be interested to serve on this Committee.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve Ray Cord, Mike Flaherty, and Michael Yunits, to be members of the Regional Dispatch Planning Committee. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

2. Discussion on Rezoning

Mr. Yunits indicated parcels on Mansfield Avenue and Reservoir Street will be going up for sale soon and referenced an offer on one of the parcels. Mr. Yunits said he was working with the Director of Planning and Economic Development regarding this. He said they would like to rezone to Village Commercial so businesses can run along Route 140 with residences in rear. He would like to bring it to Planning Board for study and have on October Town Meeting. It is currently zoned commercial in the front. This area would tie into sewer as well.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to show a vote of support for this proposed rezoning as described above by Town Manager, Mr. Yunits. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

3. Open June 6, 2016 Special Town Meeting Warrant

It was noted Warrant will close April 26, 2016.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to open June 6, 2016 Special Town Meeting Warrant, with Warrant to close on April 26, 2016. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

4. Discussion on Turtle Crossing Project

Mr. Yunits explained a "Revision" had been filed and a public hearing is scheduled in May 2016. Underground parking is under the building, not underground like in cities (i.e., Boston). He referenced a chart; proposed before and now.

Mr. Kimball noted where the applicant is measuring from is curious; it needs better clarity.

Mr. Kimball said if the Department of Housing and Community Development wants to get serious about housing, they should drop this from the list as this has been going on for ten years now.

Mr. Kimball said this project is right on Canoe River; and concern when they talk about underground parking. He suggested to bring this back to ZBA and ask them to take another look at this, especially of height of building and what grade is. It is not flat land as they suggested and is on wetlands. He believed they should deny request because the Town of Norton is close to their percentage they need to meet. Letter should be sent that this is no longer considered to be a Friendly 40B; a strong letter needed to be sent to ZBA and Town counsel should be involved too. It was noted other 40B projects such as Strawberry Fields was approved; and Bay Road Heights is now also becoming active. Mr. Kimball encouraged ZBA to deny this project. There were also runoff issues as well as sewerage issues.

Mrs. Steele agreed with Mr. Kimball, especially where this project is ten years old.

Mr. Giblin said ten years is a long time and many things have changed since then. There is a lot of activity in that area now. It is important for the Town to deny this, and believed a letter to ZBA and Town Counsel would be beneficial.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review FY2017 Budget & Town Meeting Articles

Mr. Yunits discussed the following Articles:

Article 8: Water Treatment Plan. On May 12, 2014, \$8,900,000 was voted for water treatment plant. Need to add to this because of artifacts found, etc.

Mr. Kimball said it appears there are a lot of issues and keep adding money to it. What are other options?

Mr. Yunits said there is confidence in this area, as long as they don't uncover anything else while excavating.

Mr. Kimball said if there is already a large hole in ground, possibly they should look into desalinization (desal). With desal they could have done it for a lot less money than this is costing.

Mr. Yunits noted desal is easier now because Easton is now involved in it.

Mrs. Steele recommended to ask Water/Sewer Commissioners in to explain where they are with this project and she would feel more comfortable having them in.

Mr. Bramwell said this Article would be deferred until they obtained some answers.

Mr. Giblin said he was concerned about adding more money to this project.

No Action Taken at this time.

Article 9: Water Budget - Personnel Services

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to support Article 9. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Article 10 – Sewer Budget

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to support Article 10. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Article 14 – This Article would be to place Town Clerk in wage and salary plan. There is also a custodian position to add in for part-time evening hours. Mr. Yunits would like to have it in there just in case.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to support Article 14. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Kimball said as they were discussing the Water Department, he is a member of The Gold Star Committee, and spoke of having wells behind the Master Sgt. Trent Memorial and Town Common. Both projects (Master Sgt. Trent Memorial or Town Common) cannot use Town water. He said he was proud of the Master Sgt. Trent Memorial and would like to keep it maintained and looking nice.

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Mr. Yunits referenced budget as approved by Finance Committee=\$51,452,999, and Public Hearing to be held next Wednesday evening (April 20, 2016) regarding budget.

Mr. Yunits noted there were also new state aid figures received, and referenced the health insurance changes the Town had spoken about and, therefore, is updating these figures currently.

C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

. The Home Consortium Action Plan

Mr. Yunits said funds are available to bring houses up to code, and representatives from Consortium said they would attend a Board of Selectmen meeting. For first time home buyer assistance, there is \$90,000 available. It was noted one home in Norton had assistance last year.

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Mr. Yunits said there was good news to report on bids that were received for repairs at the library for water damage and Rail Trail. These bids will be reviewed.

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Mr. Yunits referenced Water Bodies Cleanup; Conservation closed Hearing on Barrowsville last week. April 25 is the Hearing on the Reservoir which is the same night as Mansfield meeting on the Reservoir.

D. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. Resignation of Sharyn B. Stedman, from the position of Assistant Town Clerk, effective June 3, 2016

Mr. Yunits said he needed to review resumes for the Town Clerk position. It appeared there were some good candidates; but was uncertain about their experience needed for the Town of Norton.

VI. SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND MAIL

Mr. Yunits referenced some grants being looked into regarding taking a safe route to school and looking at possibly adding sidewalks on some streets in Town.

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Mr. Kimball wished a Happy 30th Birthday to Peter Wiggins, who celebrated a birthday this week and was in the audience this evening!

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Mr. Bramwell said this past Monday evening he spoke to School Committee and expressed that the Council on Aging and Town Hall are in very tight quarters and asked them to begin a study if school department could possibly give a portion of the H.A. Yelle School for this use. Everyone on Committee seemed in favor of this, but they decided to defer vote until June. There are enrollment concerns with the new construction of 274 East Main Street apartments.

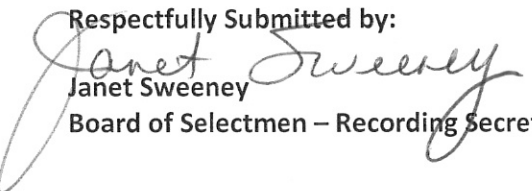
VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Adjourn at 8:05 P.M. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous.
MOTION CARRIES.

Respectfully Submitted by:


Janet Sweeney

Board of Selectmen – Recording Secretary

Documents Presented at April 14, 2016, Board of Selectmen Meeting

- . Draft Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting dated March 3, 2016

- . Application For License/Permit: IGrant Restaurant Group, Inc.; d/b/a Travelli's Pizzeria, 288 East Main Street, Norton, MA

- . Proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget – Town of Norton

- . Town Meeting Articles – May 9, 2016 Spring Annual Town Meeting

- . Resignation Letter from Sharyn B. Stedman, dated April 4, 2016, addressed to Town Manager, Mr. Yunits

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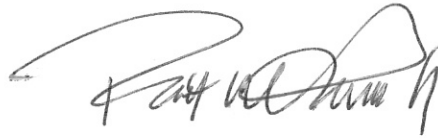
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BRADFORD K. BRAMWELL, CHAIRMAN



TIMOTHY R. GIBLIN, VICE-CHAIR



ROBERT W. KIMBALL, JR., CLERK



ROBERT S. SALVO, SR.



MARY T. STEELE

Dated: 05/19/16