

# 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 OCTOBER 13, 2016

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The October 13, 2016 Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mr. Giblin, Chairman, at 7:00 P.M., held in the First Floor Conference Room.

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

B. Pledge of Allegiance

# II. LICENSES AND PERMITS

Application of Kaival Krupa Corp. d/b/a Norton Liquors, Manager, Dharaben Patel, 92
 Mansfield Avenue, Norton, MA 02766, to add New Officer to its All Alcoholic Retail
 Package Store License

Mr. Patel was present and explained the addition of the New Officer to its All Alcoholic Retail Package Store License.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve Application of Kaival Krupa Corp. d/b/a Norton Liquors, Manager, Dharaben Patel, 92 Mansfield Avenue, Norton, MA 02766, to

add New Officer to its All Alcoholic Retail Package Store License. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

#### III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall Annual Town Meeting to be held Monday, October 17, 2016, 7:00 P.M., at the Norton High School Auditorium.

#### IV. BUSINESS

#### A. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review and/or Revote on Warrant Articles for the October 17, 2016, Fall Annual Town Meeting

Mr. Yunits referenced Article 15, and indicated they sent revisions to Town Counsel, and Planning Board heard this Article earlier this week. He asked if the Board could vote on that for Town Meeting, and the evening of Town Meeting, they will wait for Town Counsel's review on it.

Mr. Kimball indicated they have now pulled the Articles regarding Houghton Farm, Leonard Street, and Mansfield Avenue.

Mr. Yunits stated, yes, it was important to clarify those particular Articles would not be on this Warrant Article.

The Board noted they will not meet next Thursday, October 20, 2016; but will have a Board of Selectmen's meeting the following Thursday, October 27, 2016.

## B. OLD BUSINESS

#### C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Yunits referenced the salt bid and noted each year this bid is put out by the Town of Medfied. Eastern Minerals, Inc., was the low bidder for CC Sodium Chloride at \$53.50 and Solar Sodium Chloride at \$53.50. They also listed a second company, Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC, along with the low bidder because last year the low bidder did not have product available when it was needed, so a Motion is being requested to approve the low bidder and the alternate company in case there is a need. Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC, has quoted a cost of \$55.37 for CC Sodium Chloride and \$55.37 for Solar Sodium Chloride.

Mr. Giblin noted within the last two years, it appeared salt has been scarce.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to award salt bid to Eastern Minerals, Inc., for CC Sodium Chloride at \$53.50 and Solar Sodium Chloride at \$53.50, with an alternate

company, Mid-Atlantic Salt, LLC, as discussed above. Second by Mr. Salvo. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

#### D. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. <u>Eugene Blood - Interview regarding request to be appointed to the Norton</u>

Conservation Commission

Mr. Blood stated he was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and was in the field of surveying and engineering from 1972 to 1977. He then entered the police force in Philadelphia to the rank of detective and then retired. He said his son graduated college and moved to this area and he and his wife followed and live in Red Mill Village. Mr. Blood stated he has an interest in Conservation and is involved with the Garden Club in Red Mill Village, and is very conscientious of watching what type of chemicals go into the garden.

Mr. Kimball said he was impressed with the diverse background of Mr. Blood, and also an engineering background would help in this position.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to appoint Eugene Blood as a member of the Norton Conservation Commission. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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

Mr. Salvo indicated earlier this week he, along with Keith Silver, Highway Superintendent, met the contractor that will be following the work on East Main Street. The contract was awarded on Monday and material for culvert is being ordered and is about two weeks out. He said this appeared to be a very good company and was impressed on the plan to go forward. He said this company will be installing sidewalks, however, he was not certain if this company will finish the project/paving, etc.

Mrs. Steele referenced a letter received from the President of the Land Preservation Society of Norton, regarding Norton's Tricentennial Park in front of the Middle School, and its maintenance needs.

Mr. Kimball stated the Highway Department may eventually have to take that Park over. It is a small park and if there is a way to put money into an account that would be beneficial.

Mr. Giblin suggested there may be some school-aged volunteers seeking community service hours or even the Boy Scouts may be interested in doing something.

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Mrs. Steele said over the past several years, the Town has accumulated various parks; possibly they could establish a Park Committee. The Town depends on volunteers year to year, but there is no continuity.

Mr. Giblin added the Town Common will be another park to take care of as well.

Mr. Salvo recommending increasing the manpower on the Highway Department. He said Mr. Silver, Highway Superintendent, never complains about it, but they could use additional staff and could get more things accomplished.

Mr. Yunits said it would help even if it is just summertime help for the Highway Department. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Kimball said during the last few years, the Town has expected the Highway Department to do more and more.

Mrs. Steele asked Mr. Yunits if there was any update regarding the Building Inspector process?

Mr. Yunits responded the timeframe is six months and received no additional info, etc.; he is expecting a letter from them. He said it is similar to a civil service test.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Yunits to keep the Board updated regarding this.

Mr. Kimball said there was an open position in the Town of Norton for a full-time Director of Planning & Economic Development.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Yunits if there was any update regarding the Metropolitan Planning Organization?

Mr. Yunits said it is currently on hold, and he is not sure for how long it will be on hold. He will try to obtain an update, but believes nothing will probably happen until after the presidential election.

Mr. Kimball referenced Plain Street and said if road is closed, or open to local traffic, it should inform drivers in advance. He said at one point there was a sign at Plain and Pine Streets, and then sign moved up to where construction was taking place, but there should be a "road closed" sign in advance otherwise people have to travel up road and turn around. Discussion ensued.

Mrs. Steele said if they can be a bit more accurate with signage it would be helpful. The construction workers, police details, etc., have been very accommodating and understanding, however, accurate signage is needed.

# VI. WARRANTS AND MINUTES

A. Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended October 8, 2016, Warrant #22, dated October 13, 2016, in the amount of \$1,204,647.63

MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended October 8, 2016, Warrant #22, dated October 13, 2016, in the amount of \$1,204,647.63. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Approve bills Warrant #23, dated October 13, 2016, in the amount of \$234,214.12 MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to Approve bills Warrant #23, dated October 13, 2016, in the amount of \$234,214.12. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
- C. <u>Approve Minutes</u>

  No minutes were reviewed/approved.

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

Water and Sewer Commissioners are scheduled to be attending the next Board meeting on October 27, 2016.

Also they should have a discussion regarding rezoning of Route 140, East Main Street, and rezoning of Leonard Street, etc.

Mr. Giblin indicated he was also trying to have a local business come in within the next few meetings.

It was noted there will be a Board of Selectmen meeting also held on Monday, October 17, 2016, at 6:00 P.M. before Town Meeting.

#### VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Adjourn at 7:30 P.M. Second by Mr. Salvo. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Janet Sweeney

# Documents Presented at October 13, 2016 Board of Selectmen Meeting

- . Letter addressed to Board of Selectmen, dated August 16, 2016, from Joseph H. Devlin, Attorney at Law Re: New Officer application for an annual package store All Alcoholic Beverages License of Kaival Krupa Corp. d/b/a Norton Liquors, 92 Mansfield Avenue, Norton, MA, with accompanying documentation, including, but not limited to, Application of Kaival Krupa Corp. d/b/a Norton Liquors, Manager, Dharaben Patel, 92 Mansfield Avenue, Norton, MA 02766, to add New Officer to its All Alcoholic Retail Package Store License
- . Town of Norton Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting October 17, 2016
- . Letter of Interest and resume, dated September 23, 2016, addressed to Board of Selectmen, from Eugene Blood, re: interest in becoming a member of the Norton Conservation Commission
- . Letter, dated September 29, 2016, addressed to Board of Selectmen, from President of Land Preservation Society of Norton, Inc., Kathleen Ebert-Zawasky, Re: Planning for the Tricentennial Park Upkeep

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TIMOTHY R. GIBLIN, CHAIRMAN

ROBERT W. KIMBALL, JR., VICE-CHAIR

**ROBERT S. SALVO, SR., CLERK** 

BRADFØRD K. BRAMWELL

MARY T. STEELE

Dated: 2/15/16