



TOWN OF NORTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 24, 2018

7:00 P.M.,

Next Meeting: June 7, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

The May 24, 2018 Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order by Mr. Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Chairman, at 7:00 P.M., held in the First Floor Conference Room.

A Roll Call: Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Bradford K. Bramwell, Robert S. Salvo, Sr., Mary T. Steele, Michael Flaherty, and Michael D. Yunits

Guests: Ralph Stefanelli and Sandy Ollerhead

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. LICENSES AND PERMITS

1. Request of Kathleen Phelan for change of date on the 1-day All Alcohol License voted April 26, 2018, from Saturday, June 16, 2018, to Sunday, June 17, 2018, 12:00 Noon-6:00 P.M., and from All Alcohol to Beer and Wine for a private party.

Read by Mr. Kimball

Motion by Mr. Bramwell

Second by Mr. Flaherty

Vote unanimous

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Mr. Salvo announced Founders Day will be held June 16, 2018 5 P.M. – 9 P.M. at the Henri A. Yelle School
2. Mr. Salvo announced Founders Day Fundraisers Event at Alberto's
3. Mr. Salvo announced Blood Drive at Sturdy #3046 or call for appointment
4. Mr. Bramwell announced Founders Day Fundraiser at the Chateau Restaurant, Thursday, June 7, 2018 – 20% of order will go toward the town.
5. Mr. Bramwell announced Carol Zwicker and the Waterbodies Committee is planning a Cleanup Day June 30, 9-12 at Chartley Pond while the level is low.

Mr. Kimball asked how long Chartley Pond level will remain low?

Mr. Yunits stated that the water level will come right up as soon as the dam is repaired.

6. Mr. Kimball announced that this Saturday, May 26, 2018 the Gold Star will be at Roche Brother's Sunday to raise funds for the Trent Memorial.
7. Mr. Kimball announced that a Norton Village Vision session will be held at Henri A. Yelle School on June 14, 2018 from 6:30 – 8:30 P.M. Discussion is about where the Norton Center actually located. Looking for public input.
8. Mr. Kimball reminded people **the Town Offices will be closed on Memorial Day, May 28, 2018. Parade to step off at 10:00 A.M. from the Henri A. Yelle School. And reviewed the change parade route.**

IV.BUSINESS

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request of Nicole Cuneo, Parks & Recreation Director, to hang a banner across Route 123, East Main Street, in front of the Town Hall, for Founders Day, Saturday, June 16, 2018, 5:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M., at the Henri A. Yelle School.
 - Mr. Kimball asked for a motion to allow the banner to be hung.
Motion made by Mr. Bramwell
Second by Mr. Flaherty
Vote unanimous
2. Vote to Award the following Bids:
 - SERSG Paper supplies to W. B. Mason Co., Inc. for a twelve-month period commencing July 1, 2018. Award is conditioned upon the receipt of the appropriate documents specified in the above IFB. The SERSG Regional Administrator will collect these documents on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and present them to the Board for final approval and signature.

Mr. Yunits read about yearly bids: South East Regional Consortium group bid on supplies, paper, water and sewer. Allow us to buy in bulk and save.

Mr. Flaherty: are these bids for municipal only?

Mr. Yunits: Schools too. He read the bids for paper from WB Mason bids

Total estimated contract is \$35,670.50

Motion made by Mr. Bramwell
Second by Mr. Flaherty
Vote unanimous

 - SERSG Water & Sewer Treatment Chemicals to Univar USA, Providence, R.I. for Liquid Potassium Hydroxide and to Roberts Chemical Co., Attleboro, MA, for Sodium Hypochlorite 15% Solution for a twelve-month period commencing July 1, 2018. This award is conditioned upon the receipt of the appropriate documents specified in the IBF. The SERSG Regional

Administrator will collect these documents on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and present them to the Board for final approval and signature.

- Water & Sewer bid for chemicals \$159,179.25 lowest bid.

Motion made by Mr. Bramwell

Second by Mr. Flaherty

Vote unanimous

- SERSG FY19 DPW Supplies various bidders listed under the SERSG Contract Award, for a twelve-month period commencing July 1, 2018. This award is conditioned upon the receipt of the appropriate documents specified in the IBF. The SERSG Regional Administrator will collect these documents on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and present them to the Board for final approval and signature.

- DPW supply bid for \$2.22 per gallon for gas.

Motion made by Mr. Bramwell

Second by Mr. Flaherty

Vote unanimous

B. OLD BUSINESS

C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- FY18 Grants Received

Mr. Yunits thanked all the department people that took the time to write and submit for various grants. This is a difficult task and often not awarded. This year a total of \$785,329.00 was awarded to the different departments in town. Allowing many projects to be covered one of which was for the repair of the Chartley Dam at no cost to the town.

Mr. Kimball: Hopes that by the time he is no longer in office the use of paper at meetings will be eliminated. Perhaps someone on the Board can write a grant for electronic devices to be used for meeting agendas and minutes.

Mr. Yunits: Next year we should definitely look into getting something electronic (iPads, etc.)

- Regulation of the Norton Board of Health – Restricting the sale of Tobacco Products.

Mr. Yunits: Board of Health voted 3-0 in favor of raising the age to 21 for the sale of tobacco and vaped tobacco can be sold only at adult stores not at convenient stores.

Mr. Salvo: What are the penalties for an overage person that buys tobacco for an underage person?

Mr. Yunits: Good question, I will check on the penalty.

- Mr. Yunits stated that the Tri-town Chamber of Commerce allowed Norton to give a slide presentation.

- It was interesting to hear the discussion regarding Millennials and the fact that they want to own anything, homes, cars. So Foxboro is going to allow for 70 foot buildings to be built along Route 1.
- Mr. Yunits also received a notice from the State to lease space in Norton. They want 24,600 square feet for the Department of Children & Families. If anyone has knowledge of such a space please contact him at the Town Office.
- Mr. Yunits read a counter statement to the derogatory comments made by Mrs. Cohen at both the May 7th and May 14th School Committee Meetings.
 - On May 7th, she expressed frustration in the way the school budget has not been supportive of the school's needs.
 - On May 14th, she stated that the town has not supported the school's needs and that the town needs a leader that will not continue to allow "town vs school" mentality.
 - Mr. Yunits response included some of the following points:
 - He works continually with the School Committee on the budget and has witnessed the Finance Committee go over the town budget line by line to see where any additional funds could be found.
 - He expects all the departments to work within the budget set for them as much as possible
 - There are 758 less students in the school than a few years ago
 - He would like to see them please not start acting like Washington Politics and work together.
 - He was not the one that sent letters to the parents about the school budget that brought on a frenzy. This was done by the School Department.
 - Some of the comments at the Town Meeting got very personal and were uncalled for, we need to work together, not like the last town meeting.
 - The town needs to figure out how to be creative in funding. New growth of business in town would be helpful.
 - Mr. Bramwell: The School Committee is thinking of changing their meeting to Thursday so they can meet with the Board of Selectmen.
 - Mr. Kimball: One platform is to be at the Finance Committee Meeting to talk things through while it is being presented and not wait for Town Meeting.
 - Mr. Flaherty: No one comes to the Finance Committee Public Hearing
 - Ms. Steele: More face-to-face is needed.

D. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS

Interviews:

1. Mr. Kimball introduced Ralph Stefanelli. He wishes to be reappointed as Norton's 2019 representative to SRPEDD. Mr. Stefanelli read his bio and then presented information from the SPREDD meeting to the Board.

Mr. Kimball: How often do you meet?

Mr. Stefanelli: Once per month.

Mr. Kimball: How often do you attend?

Mr. Stefanelli: I think I have missed one meeting.

2. Mr. Kimball introduced Sandy Ollerhead – She also expressed her interest in being appointed to SRPEDD. She discussed her role in the Rail Trail and SRPEDD.

Mr. Kimball: Will you be able to attend?

Ms. Ollerhead: Yes

Mr. Bramwell: Unique and wonderful positions to be in that we have to make a choice. Thank you both for stepping up to the plate.

Mr. Kimball asked for a vote for automatic nomination.

Mr. Flaherty – voted for Sandy Ollerhead

Ms. Steele – voted for Sandy Ollerhead

Mr. Salvo – voted for Ralph Stefanelli – he is able and has attended in the past 10 years.

Mr. Bramwell – voted for Ralph Stefanelli– he is experienced and is familiar with the people.

Mr. Kimball – You are both involved in the community and we appreciate it and thank you for volunteering. I am voting for Mr. Stefanelli. I have worked with him for 30 years. He is committed. Ms. Ollerhead has made great strides in the Norton Rail Trail project.

Mr. Stefanelli is appointed.

Mr. Salvo – Is there an alternate position?

Mr. Kimball– There used to be. But I do not think there is one now.

Mr. Stefanelli – I will request SRPEDD to allow us to have an alternate and report back.

Mr. Kimball – Sandy are you willing to do that?

Ms. Ollerhead – Yes

Mr. Kimball – Thanked Sandy and said we will let you know what SRPEDD says.

3. Mr. Kimball stated that Joseph Oliveri would like to be appointed to the Cemetery Commission and discussed the current activities of the commission.

Motion made by Mr. Bramwell

Second by Mr. Flaherty

Vote Unanimous

IV. SELECTMEN’S REPORT AND MAIL

1. Mr. Kimball: Resignation letter received from Mr. Lincoln, the School Business Manager effective June 30, 2018. He is going to another school district.
2. Mr. Kimball: Watch for signs in town for a new “Go Fund Me” account so donations can be made to replace the 140-year-old Norton Common fence. No amount is too small.

VI WARRANTS AND MINUTES

Report of Chairman Robert W. Kimball, Jr. on the following Payroll and Invoice Warrants:

- A. Approve Invoice Warrant AP46, dated May 17, 2018, in the amount of \$537,669.31
 - **Motion to approve by Mr. Bramwell**
 - Second by Mr. Flaherty**

Vote unanimous.

B. Approve bi-weekly Payroll Warrant PR24, for the period ended May 19, 2018, dated May 24, 2018, in the amount of \$1,297,748.66

- **Motion to approve by Mr. Bramwell**

Second by Mr. Flaherty

Vote unanimous.

C. Approve Invoice Warrant AP47, dated May 24, 2018, in the amount of \$1,518,255.27

- **Motion to approve by Mr. Bramwell**

Second by Mr. Flaherty

Vote unanimous.

D. Approve Minutes – None to approve

VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA - June 7, 2018

1. Joint Meeting with Planning Board to appoint member to fill vacancy on the Planning Board

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

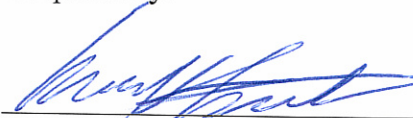
IX.. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting by Mr. Bramwell at 8:20 P.M.

Second by Mr. Flaherty

Vote - Unanimous

Prepared by:



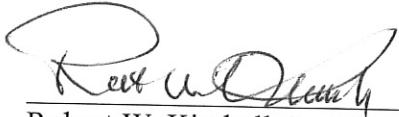
Michael D. Yunits

Town Manager

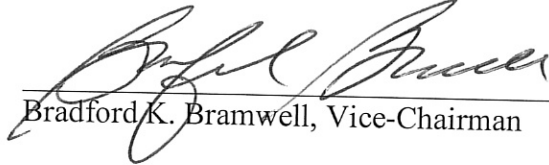
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3:30 P.M.

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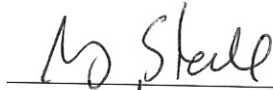


Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Chairman

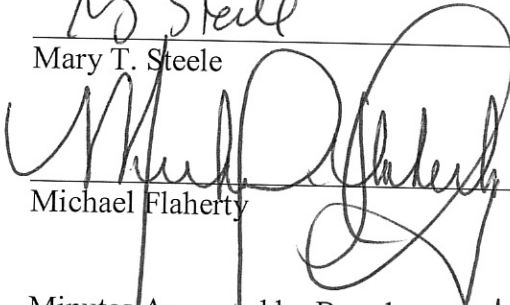


Bradford K. Bramwell, Vice-Chairman

Robert S. Salvo, Sr., Clerk



Mary T. Steele



Michael Flaherty

Minutes Approved by Board on: 10 / 4 / 18