



**TOWN OF NORTON**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING FOR**  
**MARCH 10, 2011**

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN:** The March 10, 2011, Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman, Mr. Kimball.

A. Roll Call: Chairman, Mr. Robert Kimball; Mrs. Mary Steele, Vice-Chair; Messrs. Bradford Bramwell, Clerk; Timothy Giblin; and Robert Salvo were present. 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 March 5, 2011, Warrant #53, dated March 10, 2011, in the amount of \$1,179,883.07

**MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended March 5, 2011, Warrant #53, dated March 10, 2011, in the amount of \$1,179,883.07. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

B. Approve bills Warrant #54, dated March 10, 2011, in the amount of \$474,401.00

**MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to approve bills Warrant #54, dated March 10, 2011, in the amount of \$474,401.00. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

C. Minutes – December 16, 2010 Executive Session

**MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting of Executive Session, dated December 16, 2010, as written. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**III. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

1. Vote to amend name on Class II License issued to Park Auto Sales, 350 Old Colony Road, to read "John A. Pacitto d/b/a Park Auto Sales"

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**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to vote to approve amendment of name on Class II License issued to Park Auto Sales, 350 Old Colony Road, to read “John A. Pacitto d/b/a Park Auto Sales”. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Kimball welcomed the new Town Manager, Mr. Michael Yunits, to Town.  
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Newsletter received from Historical Society re: April 2 Tri-centennial Ball. Website is “norton300.org” or call 222-2255 for more information.  
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Spring Sweeping to occur on or about March 28 for sidewalks.  
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Southeastern Vocational School Renovation/Addition Info meeting to be held 3/14 and 3/16 in Colonial Room at Southeastern Vocational School. It was noted these renovations/additions are at no additional cost to area towns.  
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Mr. Kimball said Wed., 4/6, is last day to register to vote at town clerk's office.

**V. BUSINESS**

**A. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Request of Kevin Weber, President, on behalf of Norton Pop Warner, to hang a banner over Route 123, in the vicinity of the Town Hall, to announce its 2011 registration for Pop Warner Football (Subject to receipt of Certificate of Insurance)

Mr. Weber said the insurance is through the Hockomock League and hoping to get certificate by tomorrow and banner will be ready tomorrow as well. Registration is March 19 from 9 a.m.-12 noon at high school cafeteria for boys and girls ages 6-15.

Mr. Giblin stated this was a good program and they do a good job with the children. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Kimball said to let the Board know if there was anything the Board can do to help. Website is [www.nortonpopwarner.org](http://www.nortonpopwarner.org) for volunteer opportunities, etc.

Mr. Salvo spoke of Mass Electric to charge \$4,000 for pole by Campbell House.

Mr. Giblin said National Grid did survey and waiting for quote. He said he believes they are planning to install a new pole. \$4,000 is a lot of money and not sure why it will cost so much money.

Mr. Kimball said the Campbell House has power.

It was noted Mr. Yunits will speak to Mr. Silver the next day regarding this issue.

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Mr. Giblin said playground is in that area and Tri-centennial Park to go in that area also.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to authorize Request of Kevin Weber, President, on behalf of Norton Pop Warner, to hang a banner over Route 123, in the vicinity of the Town Hall, to announce its 2011 registration for Pop Warner Football (Subject to receipt of Certificate of Insurance). Second by Mr. Salvo. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

2. Vote to set May 9, 2011 Special Town Meeting and June 6, 2011 Special Town Meeting

Mr. Kimball asked the Board of Selectmen's Recording Secretary, Janet Sweeney, to advise Michelle Brown the next day of the specifics of the Town Meeting/Special Town meeting, etc., and Michelle Brown will then notify town clerk. May 9, 2011 is date of meeting and May 11 will be extension. A Special Town Meeting to take care of any billings for Fiscal 2011. On the 10<sup>th</sup> (which the date is today) they open Special Town Meeting warrant; adjourn at 8 p.m., and reconvene for actual Annual Town Meeting. Therefore, need to post tomorrow; and notify boards/committees. On 11<sup>th</sup> to advertise; 15<sup>th</sup> have it published; and 22 of March to close. The Special Town Meeting to be held May 9, at 8 p.m.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to open warrant for Special Town Meeting for May 9, 2011 at 8 p.m. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

Mr. Kimball referenced Annual Town Meeting Warrant: Articles 28, 29, and 30 (three articles) are for appropriations.

Articles 28, 29, and 30 to be "removed" from Annual Town Meeting warrant. They should contact School Committee to ensue they are ok with this decision.

Dates of meetings were discussed: May 9 is Annual Town Meeting; Special Town Meeting is June 6 at 7 p.m. Those three articles (Articles 28, 29, and 30 discussed above) for schools are for one purpose only regarding borrowing, renovations, etc.

Mr. Kimball said they need to call for a Special Town Meeting (Saturday, June 11, 2011 is Special Election).

June 6-Special Town Meeting; and June 11-Special Election.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to post a Town Meeting for Monday, June 6, 2011, at 7 p.m. at Norton High School. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

Mr. Kimball said they may need to move May 9 Town Meeting to High School and June 6 Town Meeting to High School with backup to Yelle School.

Mr. Kimball said he asked Town Clerk an approximate figure for second Special Town Meeting. Mr. Kimball said election costs about \$8900, then components of audio/video so all rooms in High School can see/hear everything, and to be able to run cable to Yelle School.

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Mr. Kimball reiterated reason for moving May 9 Town Meeting to High School is so there is no need for audio/video costs.  
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A letter received from Town Clerk asking to modify polling hours of 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Modification to save money but also this will be held on a Saturday so 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. is request to hold pollings hours from Town Clerk. It was noted there were absentee ballots available also.

Mr. Giblin said Town Clerk also conducted an extensive survey of surrounding towns re: time change for polling hours.

Mr. Kimball said May 9 is Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting.

June 6, 2011 meeting at 7 p.m. at high school regarding renovations of high school, etc., and if successful vote on June 6, 2011, then June 11 will take vote at polls. Two thirds vote on June 6 required; majority vote on June 11 was required. Town Clerk will put together a list of costs of these meetings and need to pay for special election and town meeting and may need to go to finance committee for reserve, etc.

3. Vote intention to lay out Ellis Road, Pratt Drive, and Johnson Drive

Articles 4, 5, and 6 will revert back to Planning Board for discussion. can only accept as-built.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to allow Articles 4, 5, and 6 to be put on May 9, 2011 warrant and revert matter back to Planning Board for discussion. Second by Mr. Bramwell. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

**C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Yunits said today treasury - vote 9.5 increase to active plan. \$6,629,734 increase of \$329,734 from last year. March 17 is expected date to vote on it.  
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Firefighter Union letter Mr. Yunits said he received earlier that day regarding them hoping to have a contract in place.  
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Mr. Bramwell thanked town hall employees who organized Mr. Purcell's farewell party. It was a pleasure to meet Mr. Purcell's family and it was a nice time.  
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Mrs. Steele spoke of the recent Kathy Memorial Bailey Basketball Game and thanked Michelle Peterson and volunteers, contributors, and basketball players, etc. It was a successful event and proceeds will go to a family in Town who lost a parent.

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Mr. Giblin said Charter Review Committee has been meeting about every other week. Some minor verbal changes; some definitions and wording changes, and will be completed fairly shortly. It is going well; not many major changes.

**D. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS**

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

**VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA**

1. In recognition of Steven Lee Ford, Jr., Specialist in Army National Guard, who just returned home from serving one year in Afghanistan.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Joint meeting with Water/Sewer Commissioners and Water/Sewer Superintendent Re:
  - . To consider the purchase, exchange, taking, lease, or value of real property;
  - . To discuss strategy with respect to litigation

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION was made by Mr. Bramwell to enter into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m., for purpose to (Joint Meeting with Water/Sewer Commissioners and Water/Sewer Superintendent) consider the purchase exchange, taking, lease, or value of real property; and to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, and to return to open session for purpose of adjournment. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Janet Sweeney  
Board of Selectmen-Recording Secretary

**Documents Reviewed/Distributed at March 10, 2011 Board of Selectmen Meeting**

. Letter to Board of Selectmen (cc: Town Manager, Michael Yunits), dated March 9, 2011, from Town Clerk, Danielle Sicard regarding Special Town Election- Change in Polling Hours Request.

.Letter from Luis G. Lopes, Ed. S, Superintendent of Southeastern Regional School District, dated March 7, 2011, regarding invitation to attend informational meeting regarding school project (renovation and addition plan).

. Town of Norton Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, Monday, May 9, 2011

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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN:**

Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Chairman

Mary T. Steele, Vice-Chairman

Bradford K. Bramwell, Clerk

Timothy R. Giblin

Robert S. Salvo, Sr.

**Date Approved:**\_\_\_\_\_