

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING FOR
JUNE 30, 2011**

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

The June 30, 2011 Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mr. Bramwell, Chairman, at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Center held in the Selectmen's Conference Room.

A. Roll Call: Mr. Brad Bramwell, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen; Mrs. Mary Steele, Vice-Chair; Mr. Timothy Giblin, Clerk; Mr. Robert Kimball; and Mr. Robert Salvo were present. Mr. Michael Yunits, Town Manager, was also present.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to enter into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. for purpose of a Joint Meeting with Water/Sewer Commissioners to conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiations, and to return to Open Session at conclusion of Executive Session. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
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Open Session resumed at 7:10 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. WARRANTS AND MINUTES

A. Approve bills Warrant #76, dated June 23, 2011, in the amount of \$453,948.91

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve bills Warrant #76, dated June 23, 2011, in the amount of \$453,948.91. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended June 25, 2011, Warrant #77, dated June 29, 2011, in the amount of \$705,296.26

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended June 25, 2011, Warrant #77, dated June 29, 2011, in the amount of \$705,296.26. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

C. Approve bills Warrant #78, dated June 30, 2011, in the amount of \$203,216.86

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve bills Warrant #78, dated June 30, 2011, in the amount of \$203,216.86. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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D. Minutes – April 21, 2011
May 9, 2011

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated April 21, 2011, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated May 9, 2011, as written. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

III. LICENSES AND PERMITS

- 1. 7:05 P.M. - Application of Jonathan Goodwin for Norton Police Superior Officers Association for one-day beer and wine license to be utilized at Everett Leonard Fields, July 30, 2011, 12:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M., for private party**

It was noted no detail was required and will be about 50-75 people attending.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve Application of Jonathan Goodwin for Norton Police Superior Officers Association for one-day beer and wine license to be utilized at Everett Leonard Fields, July 30, 2011, 12:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M., for private party, with no detail required. Second by Mr. Giblin. Roll Call: All Board members voted in the affirmative (Mr. Kimball, Mr. Salvo, Mr. Giblin, Mrs. Steele, and Mr. Giblin). MOTION CARRIES.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Offices will be closed on July 4, 2011, in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe and happy holiday!

V. BUSINESS

A. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. 7:10 P.M. - Naomi J. Viglas Re: Interview for appointment to the Norton Cultural Council**

Ms. Viglas resides at 34 North Worcester Street and is an 11 year resident with two young children. She recently returned to the workforce and desires to be more involved in the community. She is a trained vocalist and felt it was a good time to get involved with community.

It was discussed there were five current members on Council and ability to have as many as 13 members (minimum is five).

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MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to approve appointment of Naomi J. Viglas for appointment to the Norton Cultural Council. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

2. 7:15 P.M. - Rowena R. Koran Re: Interview for appointment to the Norton Cultural Council

Ms. Koran resides at 46 Walker Street and has been a resident for 13 years. She is one of founding members of the Mom's Club of Norton. She has years of experience in piano and musical interest.

Mr. Kimball said in past there was a lot of art displayed in Town and possibly in the Tricentennial year it could happen again.

Ms. Koran said Wheaton College is also receptive and has many great avenues and is excited to see what worked in Town and to build on it.

MOITON was made by Mrs. Steele to appoint Rowena R. Koran to the Norton Cultural Council. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

3. Vote to ratify appointments made by Building Inspector, Scott Barbato, to the Board of Survey

Mr. Yunits spoke of unsafe conditions in Town and Fire Chief Gomes will soon be retiring. Mr. Yunits said a name is needed he believed and will put back on agenda when Fire Chief retires.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to ratify following appointments made by Building Inspector, Scott Barbato: Fire Chief Richard Gomes (Head of Fire Dept.); Chris Yarworth (Registered Land Surveyor); and David Sharpe (Disinterested Party) to serve on Board of Survey as requested by Building Inspector, Scott Barbato. Second by Mrs. Steele.

Discussion: Mr. Kimball asked if the wording could be “cleaned up” and questioned why it was designed this way. Words such as “Disinterested Party” could be possibly changed to “Citizen-At-Large”. Possibly in August they can incorporate new language/wording.

Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

4. Vote to approve expenditure of surety to reconstruct the previously existing wall and the proposed new wall for the Subdivision “Autumn Park”, located off Essex Street, per request of the Norton Planning Board
5. Discussion RE: Selectmen's representative to:
 1. . SRPEDD Commission
 2. . JTP

Mr. Yunits stated there is a need for interested parties/people and explained.

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Mr. Bramwell suggested if there are any interested residents they can contact Town Hall/send letter of interest for either of these positions (70 East Main Street-address of Town Hall).

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Yunits to send a note/memo to town dept. heads and also Building Inspector's office as is in Town's best interest.

Mr. Bramwell stated if there is no one desiring to serve, someone should be sent from Highway Dept. in interim.

Mr. Bramwell asked Mr. Yunits to ask volunteer from Highway Dept. while waiting for interested candidates.

Mr. Kimball suggested even employee(s) from Water and Sewer Dept. may be interested.

Deadline for applications is July 22, 2011 and to act on it at July 28, 2011 Board of Selectmen's Meeting.

6. Boards, Commissions, Committees Reappointments

MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to reappoint Mr. Steven Corr to Board of Health. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Mr. Jonathan Rowe to Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Ms. Frances Shirley to Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Mr. Clarence Rich to Cemetery Commission. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Mr. Albert C. Watson to Cemetery Commission. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Mr. Ronald O'Reilly to Conservation Commission. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Ms. Michele Simoneaux to Conservation Commission. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Ms. June Chamillard to Council on Aging . Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Mr. Guy Wheeler to Council on Aging. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to reappoint Ms. Joanne Hadley to Cultural Council. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Ms. Ruth Goold to Historical District Commission. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Ms. Nancy Federici as Alternate to Historical District Commission. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Mr. Clarence Rich to Historical Commission. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Mr. Robert Salvo, Sr. to Industrial Development Commission. Second by Mrs. Giblin. Vote: All In Favor except for Mr. Salvo voting abstaining. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Mrs. Mary Steele to Industrial Development Commission. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: All In Favor except for Mrs. Steele abstaining. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Mr. Leon Dumont to Local Housing Partnership. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Mr. Robert W. Kimball, Jr., to Local Housing Partnership. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: All In Favor except for Mr. Kimball abstaining. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Mr. Robert Salvo to Local Housing Partnership. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Steele to reappoint Ms. Susan Morgado to Norton Cable Access, Inc. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to reappoint Ms. Michele Simoneaux to Open Space Committee. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to reappoint Ms. Jennifer Hoffman to Recreation Commission. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to reappoint Ms. Rosemary Dolan to Recreation Commission. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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MOTION was made by Mr. Salvo to reappoint Ms. Laura Bamford to Recreation Commission. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to reappoint Mr. Francis Reynolds as Alternate to Zoning Board of Appeals. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Various openings were discussed:

ConCom one to two positions may be available. Letter of interest to be sent to Town Hall, 70 East Main Street.

One Position on Council on Aging. Interest letter to be sent to Town Hall, 70 East Main Street by July 22, 2011.

Historic District Commission - possibly two slots open and interest letter to be received by July 27, 2011. Historic Commission has one opening.

Local Housing Partnership: one slot open.

Mr. Bramwell referenced Norton Cable Access, Inc. and hoped the location they move to will be more accessible to public. He heard it may be moved to Wheaton College campus which would not be very accessible to residents. He said he was putting out a plea for someone from Cable Access to discuss this.

Mr. Salvo said it is private property at Wheaton College and believed they need to discuss it so it is more accessible to town residents, etc.

Mr. Kimball said he was not certain where the studio was specifically being moved to. The Town Hall basement was offered to Cable Access but it was too expensive. Possibly Cable Access can look at second floor of library and pay rent to library. Not sure if Wheaton College is ideal spot for studio unless it is on the main road. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Giblin said Roche Bros Plaza has a lot of vacant space as well.

Mrs. Steele asked if cable studio was definitely being moved to Wheaton College?

Mr. Bramwell said he believed he read this in the newspaper.

Mr. Kimball said he believed it really needs to be located on Route 123 for broadcasting.

Mr. Bramwell said Cable Access Committee should be invited in for report/update.

Open Space Commission: two positions available.

ZBA: one position available.

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7. Approval of Lease – 237 Mansfield Avenue

Mr. Yunits said it was beneficial for Town to rent this property.

Mr. Kimball said Recreation Dept. is now using first floor. A tenant is totally responsible for that property; tenant can monitor building also. Rent is \$500/month which is a “bargain”, but when Rec uses basement and electric, etc., someone else pays for it). Deck on back (10x12) will be built by tenant and also tenant making some other repairs. Until Town builds boat ramp it is in Town's best interest to do this and Town is familiar with the tenant.

Mrs. Steele asked Mr. Yunits to check to see if business ended with prior tenant.

Mr. Giblin reiterated what Mr. Kimball stated, the savings in rent for tenant, the Town is getting property up to code/up to date as tenant maintaining/repairing.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve/accept lease for 237 Mansfield Avenue. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. OLD BUSINESS

C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

. 36 Dean Street

Mr. Yunits stated this was for a used car license at 36 Dean Street and referenced list of conditions. Health Agent, Conservation Agent, building inspector, and fire chief involvement and list of conditions arrived at for site. Everyone was helpful with proposed owner and not too much of a burden on applicant; will address what is needed to be done.

. Shpack Update

Army Corp. is getting ready to de-mobilize and commend Army Corp of Engineers who removed all radiological contamination and went down 8' and shipped out. All waste not considered to be radiological. Some questions need to be “ironed out”.

A thank you also to Heather Graf and Jennifer Carlino, Conservation Agent.

Mr. Yunits stated a new water main to be coming through and Town wants it to stop at town line/Attleboro.

He said he did not want to cap what is there; to take it all out.

Mr. Kimball said the Board was vocal in the past regarding installing a water line in that area. If Town is going to that expense he would ask Mr. Yunits to go back to them and at last have it designed if Town needs water from Attleboro it can be shared. A design so both communities could use if needed.

Mr. Yunits thanked Rep Poirier on assistance on Home Rule Petition and Rep Poirier will submit a letter of support and/or will speak in favor of this.

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. Island Brook - Ch40b

Mr. Yunits said they met with ConCom agent and proponent's engineer as well as Mr. Brusby. Proposal to be 28 four-unit buildings with onsite sewerage treatment and preliminary talks with State.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Yunits to suggest to other party there has not been any recent dialog with them. Partnership should be involved and Town may want some conditions.

. Waste Management Update

Mr. Yunits met with Condye/Jeff O'Neil and trying to "iron out" issues with Taunton and estimated funding.

TPC: Mr. Yunits said this event is slated for Labor Day weekend and reached out for volunteers (town employees/YMCA) and if more info is needed, please let Mr Yunits know.

D. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

. Retirement of Fire Captain Albert E. Briand, Jr., effective July 16, 2011

A letter from Fire Chief Gomes, dated June 27, 2011, referenced regarding Fire Captain Briand's upcoming retirement effective as noted above. A need for promotional list from Civil Service.

Mr. Kimball said they need to establish some consistency; promotional list from Civil Service; they need to deal with Civil Service. Fire Chief Gomes is suggesting a promotional list.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to direct Town Manager and Fire Chief to obtain list from civil service to replace Captain Briand, Jr. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: All In Favor, except for Mr. Salvo voting "PRESENT". MOTION CARRIES.

It was noted to send Captain Briand a letter of thanks for his service to the Town.

. Resignation of Dina Warchal from the Norton Housing Authority, effective June 29, 2011

It was noted this term expires 4/15/12.

Mr. Salvo said if any residents are interested they should send letter of interest to 120 West Main Street. Mr. Salvo said it is difficult with no quorum and cannot allow it to continue for another year.

A letter of thanks was requested to be sent to Ms. Warchal.

VI. SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND MAIL

Mr. Salvo said an employee of Board of Health was in a serious car accident and wanted to let this employee know they are thinking about her and wished her a quick recovery.

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Mr. Kimball said no employee is allowed to leave the business/company in which he is employed for work errands, etc. He said they need to ask post office again why no mailbox in front of town hall as many other communities have.
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Mr. Kimball said he would like Tricentennial Parade Committee to come in to thank them for their efforts.

Mr. Salvo said they should ask a rep from Tricentennial Committee or Dan Rich about things that are being planned/put together so Board is aware/ an update.

VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

. 6:30 P.M. - Joint meeting with Water/Sewer Commissioners to conduct strategy session in preparation for negotiations

. End of meeting – To discuss strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to enter into Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. for purpose to discuss strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining, and to return to open session for purpose of adjournment. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Janet A. Sweeney
Board of Selectmen – Recording Secretary

Documents Viewed/Distributed at Board of Selectmen Meeting of June 30, 2011

. Boards, Commissions, Committees Reappointments List

. 36 Dean Street Proposed Conditions

. Shpack Update – June 30, 2011

. Letter addressed to Town Manager, Mr. Michael Yunits, from Fire Chief Gomes, dated June 27, 2011,
Re: Retirement of Fire Captain

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Bradford K. Bramwell, Chairman

Mary T. Steele, Vice-Chair

Timothy R. Giblin, Clerk

Robert W. Kimball, Jr.

Robert S. Salvo, Sr.

Date Approved:_____