

TOWN OF NORTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING APRIL 5, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

The April 5, 2012, Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mr. Bramwell, Chairman, at 7:00 p.m., held in the First Floor Selectmen's Conference Room in the Municipal Center.

A. Roll Call: Mr. Bradford Bramwell, Chairman of 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 absent.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. WARRANTS AND MINUTES

A. Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended March 31, 2012, Warrant #59, dated April 5, 2012, in the amount of \$987,142.57

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended March 31, 2012, Warrant #59, dated April 5, 2012, in the amount of \$987,142.57. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. Approve bills Warrant #60, dated April 5, 2012, in the amount of \$749,851.11

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to Approve bills Warrant #60, dated April 5, 2012, in the amount of \$749,851.11. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

C. Minutes – December 7, 2011

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated December 7, 2011, as written. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.
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First Order of Business, with reference to Open Meeting law and due to an unforeseen circumstance, need to discuss a matter not noted on this evening's agenda.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to take up matter not listed on agenda of this evening, April 5, 2012. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Charter changes included verbage for Article 19 but omitted Article 20, and Article 21 which included provisions of Town Clerk and Water/Sewer Commissioner regarding an appointed vs. elected position, and have until next Tuesday to get this corrected. Verbage prepared and ok'd by town counsel and was Town's oversight.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to send additional information regarding proposed charter changes to registered voters of Norton. Second by Mr. Giblin.

Discussion: Mr. Kimball referenced several different Articles and just cleaning up language.

Mr. Bramwell noted Water/Sewer Commission to increase from three to five also.

Mr. Giblin said it was actually beneficial that a second mailing was being sent out.

Mr. Bramwell thanked Michelle Brown and Town Clerk for taking care of this matter as well as others who will assist.

Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

III. LICENSES AND PERMITS

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

V. BUSINESS

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. 7:10 P.M. – Bill Lippincott and Sheri Cohen, Founder's Day Committee Re:

- . Vote to approve fundraising;
- . Vote to approve request to have Banner hung over E. Main Street, across from Town Hall;
- . Update on Founder's Day.

Mr. Lippincott nor Sheri Cohen were present for this agenda item.

It was noted there will be donation/fundraiser cannisters at different locations throughout Town.

MOTION was made by Mr. Giblin to allow Founder's Day Committee to have cannister drive throughout Town. Second by Mr. Kimball. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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It was noted a banner is also being donated for Founder's Day.

Mr. Giblin asked about the need for an insurance certificate?

Mr. Bramwell said it is close to a town organization.

Mr. Kimball said if they were to give permission to Recreation Commission it may be self-insured. Founder's Day Committee was not appointed.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to allow Recreation Commission to hang a banner on East Main Street in referenced to Founder's Day. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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Discussion on acceptance for Johnson Drive and if Board needs to redo something?

Mr. Kimball said Planning Board needs to hold a public hearing and took no action the first time around, therefore, Town Planner needs to take this on.

Mr. Salvo asked if Mr. Yunits, Town Manager, could send a letter to Town Planner? It is approved but appears Town Planner does not want to do format for town meeting.

Discussion on Conservation Commission sign-off, etc.

Mr. Bramwell stated he will bring this to Mr. Yunits' attention.

Mr. Kimball said Turtle Crossing meeting was held recently. This is really a modification and Town can offer amendments on design. April 30 is the next ZBA Public Hearing regarding this.

It was noted this is a new company currently; last owner went bankrupt. Beneficial for Board of Selectmen to get involved again, however, ZBA to work out details first though.

Mr. Giblin said drainage questions arose in that meeting.

Mr. Bramwell said it is a much improved plan in his own opinion.

Mr. Kimball said there are planned 44 2-bedroom units/affordable; possibly could get a couple extra out of process and Board of Selectmen may want to take a position on that.

Mr. Giblin said on the previous Monday they attended a Schpack meeting and things are moving along. 100% design submission April to June this year. Water line construction referenced with May 2013 completion and excavation done by Fall hopefully.

Mr. Salvo said he believed there was still no SRPEDD rep to represent the Town of Norton.

Mr. Giblin said this should get posted on-line/on website, etc. as this is an important position.

2. 7:20 P.M. - Duane Knapp, Water/Sewer Superintendent, Re: Road Closure Request – North Worcester Street

Mr. Knapp said north side of Town went quicker than expected. At this point for safety no road closure will be requested. Mr. Knapp described projects (first work to start on Pleasant and Walker Streets and if issues occur will wait until schools close for summer and will look for road closure possibly at that time).

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Knapp about the Town's dirty water.

Mr. Knapp stated he was sending a crew out for flushing/pulling water from two ways and reversing flow and further explained the process

B. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

C. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. Appointment to the Conservation Commission

It was noted there were two candidates that were both very qualified and backgrounds are both good, but need to make right decision and need to be satisfied with choice.

Mr. Kimball said the Board did not do a good job of advertising for this. Looking for someone to represent entire Town with a clear directive. Open it up to others before an appointment is made he suggested.

Mr. Bramwell said this will be taken under advisement and no timeframe will be placed on it until Board is comfortable.

VI. SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND MAIL

VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

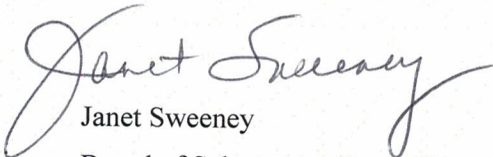
VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Re: To consider the purchase, exchange, taking, lease, or value of real property

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Second by Mr. Giblin. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Respectfully Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Janet Sweeney".

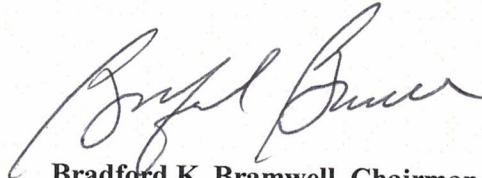
Janet Sweeney

Board of Selectmen – Recording Secretary

Documents Distributed/Reviewed at April 5, 2012, Board of Selectmen Meeting

- . Draft Board of Selectmen Minutes – dated December 7, 2011


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MINUTES OF MEETING OF
APRIL 5, 2012**




Bradford K. Bramwell, Chairman



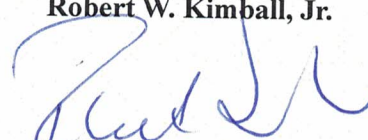
Mary T. Steele, Vice-Chair



Timothy R. Giblin, Clerk



Robert W. Kimball, Jr.



Robert S. Salvo, Sr.

Date Approved: 06/28/12