

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING
MAY 28, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN

The May 28, 2015, Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to Order by Mr. Bramwell, Chairman, at 7:00 P.M., held in the First Floor Conference Room.

- A. ROLL CALL: Mr. Bradford Bramwell, Chairman; Mr. Robert Kimball, Jr., Clerk; and Mr. Robert S. Salvo, Sr., and Mrs. Mary T. Steele were present. Absent: Mr. Timothy R. Giblin, Vice-Chair. Mr. Michael Yunits, Town Manager, was absent.

- B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. WARRANTS AND MINUTES

- A. Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended May 23, 2015, Warrant #71, dated May 28, 2015, in the amount of \$1,167,532.05

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Approve bi-weekly payroll for the period ended May 23, 2015, Warrant #71, dated May 28, 2015, in the amount of \$1,167,532.05. Second by Mr. Salvo. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. Approve bills Warrant #72, dated May 28, 2015, in the amount of \$407,371.04

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Approve bills Warrant #72, dated May 28, 2015, in the amount of \$407,371.04. Second by Mr. Salvo. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

C. Approve Minutes – January 22, 2015

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes of Meeting, dated January 22, 2015, as written. Second by Mr. Salvo. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

III. LICENSES AND PERMITS

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sturdy Memorial Blood Drive to be held Thursday, June 11, 2015 from 7:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. in the auditorium, 211 Park Street, Attleboro.

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All signs or banners hung in the Historic District area need the approval by the Historic District Commission before placing/hanging these signs/banners.

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A thank you was extended to the Veteran's Council on the Memorial Day Parade. It was a great turnout and a good time to thank the veterans for all they do.

Also, the new Norton High School Band sounded wonderful. And, also a special thanks to Cliff Archer for helping with electrical items/issues.

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The Eagle Scout Code of Honor will be held this weekend and Mr. Giblin had stated he would be able to attend this. Mr. Bramwell will also be able to attend if he is in town.

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. Water Restrictions: A reminder that there is a hand-held hose only policy in Town.

V. BUSINESS

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. 7:30 P.M. – Petition of Verizon New England, Inc. proposing to place one new conduit required to provide service to #40 Commerce Way in Norton

Mr. Kimball read aloud the legal announcement.

Mr. McPheeny, the Verizon rep, was present and said the request is exactly what petition states; one conduit/concrete encased.

Mr. Bramwell asked if anyone in audience wished to speak in favor or against this. No one from audience came forward.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to close the Public Hearing. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to approve the Petition of Verizon New England, Inc. proposing to place one new conduit for approximately 125 feet along the Easterly side line of Commerce Way for a lateral connection to #40 Commerce Way, Norton (This work is necessary to provide service to #40 Commerce Way). Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

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Mr. Kimball took this opportunity to ask the Verizon rep about East Main Street.

Rep said company he works for contracts with Verizon to do this type of work.

Mr. Kimball asked him to drive by on way home to see poles in area by Krickets Korner, etc., and asked him to please speak to his supervisor(s) regarding this issue.

2. Vote to award FY '16 Contracts to the bidders listed under the SERSG DPW Supplies IFB for a twelve-month period commencing July 1, 2015

This award is conditioned upon the receipt of the appropriate documents specified in the above IFB, which the SERSG Regional Administrator will collect on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and present them to the Board for final approval and signature.

Mr. Bramwell said Mr. Yunits is not present this evening to further explain, however, prices and information are noted in packet.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to award FY '16 Contracts to the bidders listed under the SERSG DPW Supplies IFB for a twelve-month period commencing July 1, 2015. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Kimball asked for Reconsideration

Second by Mrs. Steele.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Vote to award FY '16 Contracts to the bidders listed under the SERSG DPW Supplies IFB for a twelve-month period commencing July 1, 2015 with condition as listed below:

This award is conditioned upon the receipt of the appropriate documents specified in the above IFB, which the SERSG Regional Administrator will collect on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and present them to the Board for final approval and signature

Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion-Town Bylaw Committee

Discussion ensued on no candidates coming forward.

Mr. Bramwell said if anyone is interested in serving on this Committee, please send a letter to the Board of Selectmen at 70 East Main Street, Norton.

Mrs. Steele said a Committee is needed to be formed before they discuss what specifics will be, etc.

C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

D. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

VI. SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND MAIL

Mr. Kimball said he and Mr. Giblin met with a young man, Anthony Kolodziejczyk , a junior at Norton High School, applying to Military Academy. He needs a nomination by Elizabeth Warren or other state officials as this is an extremely competitive process. This young man is very mature, polite and bright.

Two letters were needed: 1) a letter to support him in applying; and 2) a letter to political figures (and any residents could send letters also). Mr. Kimball said he would work with Michelle Brown, Assistant to Town Manager regarding these letters.

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Police Chief Clark sent correspondence, dated May 27, 2015, regarding closure of East Main Street and offered a possible different and more successful way to close roadway.

Mr. Kimball said he also had reservations for shutting down road for two to three weeks.

Mr. Kimball said they can wait until Town Manager returns to discuss this.

Mr. Bramwell said, unfortunately, this road closure will affect businesses also.

Mr. Salvo said the month of July is popular for XFinity Center concerts, whether road construction is ongoing or not.

Mrs. Steele said the developer did come in before the Board. She did not get sense from them that they were going to change anything. She asked to have them in again at next Board of Selectmen meeting along with the Police and Fire Chiefs, with a solution and not a lot of discussion.

Mr. Kimball asked Mr. Bramwell to communicate to Mr. Yunits that the Board of Selectmen is planning to keep one lane open.

Mrs. Steele said as Road Commissioners, she believed the Board of Selectmen is liable if a serious issue occurred, and asked to have Mr. Yunits seek legal guidance on this as well.

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Mr. Salvo spoke of the Town's audio/microphone issue and to consider in future anyone in audience wishing to speak needs to stand at podium at microphone for future. He suggested the Town possibly purchase a small PA system for about \$200. It was discussed to possibly have a podium and microphone in rear of room

Mr. Bramwell said it would be wise to reach out to people who know about these things like Cable Access or the School Department.

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A certified letter was received from Nutter, McLennen and Fish regarding 0 Leonard Street, Norton. 61A – it is under agricultural tax lien, therefore, gives Town First Option (Right of First Refusal). The Board discussed they were not certain if the Town needed this land and they have 120 days of Rite of First Refusal to make a decision. It was discussed that Town Manager should notify Town departments about this in case it could be utilized.

Mr. Bramwell said the Town can look at this land.

Mr. Kimball said Conservation Department should look at it.

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Mr. Bramwell said there is a Planning Board seat unfilled for one year; any interested residents should send a letter of interest to the Town Hall.

VII. NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA

- . Dennis Hanno, President, Wheaton College – Re: Update on the College
- . Joint Meeting with Planning Board to fill vacancy created, due to Failure to Elect
- . Founder's Day Committee Re: Update

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mr. Kimball to Adjourn at 7:45 P.M. Second by Mrs. Steele. Vote: Unanimous. MOTION CARRIES.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Janet Sweeney
Board of Selectmen – Recording Secretary

Documents Distributed/Reviewed at May 28, 2015, Board of Selectmen Meeting

. Bidders List – 2015: Contracts Awards under the SERSG DPW Supplies IFB for a twelve month period commencing 7/1/15

. Letter dated April 24, 2015: Petition For Conduit Location – Cities and Towns, from Verizon New England, Inc. (Daryl Crossman, Manager of Rights of Way), addressed to Town of Norton Board of Selectmen

. Letter dated May 26, 2015 (certified mail), from Nutter, McLennen & Fish LLP (Jessica Alfano Powell) addressed to Town of Norton Assessors' Office, Re: 0 Leonard Street, Norton, MA – Tax Map 11 Parcel 26 (the "Property") with accompanying documentation

. Memorandum, dated May 27, 2015, addressed to Mr. Michael Yunits, Town Manager, and Members of the Board of Selectmen, from Brian M. Clark, Chief of Police, Re: East Main Street Project Closure

. Letter from Anthony Kolodziejczyk re: his application to a Military Academy accompanied by his resume

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TIMOTHY R. GIBLIN, VICE-CHAIR

ROBERT W. KIMBALL, JR., CLERK

ROBERT S. SALVO, SR.

MARY T. STEELE

Dated: _____