

**Norwell Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2013**

Gregg McBride opened the meeting and introduced Ellen Allen, David DeCoste and Town Administrator James Boudreau. *MOTION: Ellen Allen moved the Board approve the agenda as written. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.*

CITIZEN COMMENTS – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved to approve the June 27, 2012 open meeting minutes. Seconded and unanimously voted.

Recycling Committee Update – Chair Vicky Spillane briefed the Board on the recycling center: scrap metal generated \$7,620 of revenue to the Town, brush collection continues, increased fluorescent light bulb collections, monthly paint & used oil collection, maintenance of 13 can and bottle collection bins at all Town Fields and at Schools, maintenance of 2 belly solar compactors at the Little League Fields and High School. The Beautification Committee and Recycling Committee will have a combined clean-up event this Spring. Started a Friends of Norwell Recycling Facebook page. Board of Health has been very helpful. Committee currently has 2 openings. “Shout out” and thanks went to Joanne Dirk for all the dedicated work she did during her many years on the Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Goals & Policies – Approved the final copy of the Board of Selectmen Goals & Policies. *MOTION: Ellen Allen moved the Board adopt the Norwell Board of Selectmen's 2013 Goals as presented. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

Selectmen Articles – Jim provided a list of articles to date. 5 out of 9 articles are from the Board of Selectmen. David DeCoste would like to schedule the Building Inspector for discussions on ESCO and Jim Boudreau explained that he is not involved, it would be the PBMC.

Debt Policy – Approved the final copy of the Board of Selectmen Debt Policy. *MOTION: Ellen Allen moved the Board adopt the Debt Management Policy as written. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

Cemetery / Sgt. Samuel Stetson House Discussion – Historical Commission Member Trish Shepherd explained that her Commission supports moving the House to the Cemetery. Next step will be to present to the CPC about funding the move and restoration costs.

NEW BUSINESS

Mass Bay Bike Race Request for July 28, 2013 – *MOTION: Ellen Allen moved to approve the request from Mass Bay Road Club for a Bike Race to be held in Norwell using Circuit Street and Forest Street on Sunday July 28, 2013 providing the event organizers contact the Norwell Police Department to discuss a traffic plan, and further providing that they provide emergency contact information and further that any EMT or the like they plan on having on location that day be obtained from the Norwell Fire Department. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

Ragner Relay Road Race Request on May 3, 2013 – *MOTION: Ellen Allen moved to approve the request for the Ragner Relay Road Race on Friday, May 3, 2013 running through Norwell from Washington Street to Bridge Street between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM subject to Highway*

Surveyor's satisfaction of sign placement and duration, subject to the arrangement of Police Details, providing emergency contact information, and subject to any medical personnel in Town for this event be obtained from the Norwell Fire Department. Seconded and unanimously voted.

Open and Close Warrant for Annual Town Meeting – *MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board of Selectmen Open the Warrant for the Special and Annual Town Meetings to be held May 6, 2013 at the Norwell Middle School. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved to accept five Articles for the Annual Town Meeting as follows: 1) Unemployment, 2) Fields, 3) Storm Article, 4) Stetson House Revolving Fund and 5) Recycling Brush Pile. Seconded and unanimously voted.

Jim Boudreau stated that Glenn Ferguson requested to be notified if the Warrant was opened so that the Athletic Fields Committee could submitted an Article. Glenn Ferguson explained the Article will be a Reserve Account for Turf Fields donations collected that could range from \$300k to \$600k.

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved to add 2 articles to the Special Town Meeting Warrant: 1) Unemployment related costs and 2) NEMO storm related costs as presented. Seconded and unanimously voted.

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved to add 4 articles to the Annual Town Meeting Warrant: 1) adding funds to the Capital Stabilization Fund, 2) Recycling Brush Pile, 3) Historical Commission to reapprove the Stetson House Revolving Fund and 4) Athletic Fields Committee for an amount to be determined, all as presented. Seconded and unanimously voted.

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board of Selectmen Close the Warrant for the Special and Annual Town Meeting to be held on May 6, 2013 at the Norwell Middle School. Seconded and unanimously voted.

ESCO – Jim presented the Project Selection Sheet prepared by AMERESCO that identified the Town Building or School, ECM Description, Measure Costs, O&M Savings, Energy Savings, Total Savings, Rebates and Number of Years for Payback. One example: replacing windows at Town Hall would save on heating, but would not provide a good payback due to the high cost of window replacement. Other upgrades identified: rooftop heating units, boiler at police station (old and inefficient). The latter does not have a good payback, but it is recommended. Good news is that the Town is more energy efficient than originally thought and the bad news is the Town has a lot more to improve on. Town efficiency is based on comparisons to surrounding Towns.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mary Knapp, a lifelong resident, teacher and coach, has passed and services will be at 10:00 at First Parish Church
- Highway Superintendent announced that his department has been cleaning storm debris throughout Town. Residents should not be placing their own debris along the road; it should be taken to the Recycling Center on Wednesdays or Saturdays. The Highway Department will not return to a neighborhood once they have completed cleanup.

ADJOURNMENT – *Motion was made to adjourn. Seconded and unanimously voted.*



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