

**Norwell Board of Selectmen  
Open Meeting Minutes  
2/10/20**

TOWN OF NORWELL  
TOWN CLERK

2020 FEB 28 AM 9:25

**Present:** Ellen Allen, Gregg McBride, Alison Demong, Jason Brown, Joe Rull, Peter Morin

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Ellen Allen at 6:30pm, in the Middle School Gym.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

*Motion; made by Jason Brown, seconded by Alison Demong, to approve the edited version of the Executive Session meeting minutes of 1/7/20, and the Open Meeting minutes of 1/15/20. Unanimously voted*

Ms. Allen reported that PBMC and Library Building Committee member Laurence Gogarty filed a conflict of interest statement with the Town, which needs an approval or disapproval from the BOS. The general contractor working on the new Library has asked Mr. Gogarty to participate on the design/construction of his son's house. The board discussed this job with regard to his membership on the Library Building Committee. As every aspect of the library project is reviewed by the OPM, Pomroy and Associates, the board is comfortable with Mr. Gogarty working with the son of the GC while serving on the Library Building Committee. It would be difficult for any inappropriate actions to go unnoticed. Ms. Allen, also a member of the LBC, said that she trusted Mr. Gogarty not to let this outside work impact his behavior on the LBC.

*Motion; made by Jason Brown, seconded by Alison Demong, that the board accept the conflict of interest disclosure from Laurence Gogarty, and note that they have considered his potential conflict and are comfortable with his serving on the Library Building Committee. Unanimously voted*

The BOS remained in session throughout the Winter Special Town Meeting, adjourning at the same time as the meeting.

  
**Ellen Allen, Chair**