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## **Norwell Planning Board Meeting Minutes March 2, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. with Chair Brendan Sullivan presiding. Also present were Interim Director of Planning Ilana Quirk and Board Members Brian Greenberg, Michael Tobin and Donald Mauch. Member George "Tripp" Woodland was not in attendance. The meeting was held in the Planning Office.

### **CALL TO ORDER/AGENDA**

*Motion by Mr. Greenberg to open the meeting and approve the agenda as submitted and the motion was duly seconded and unanimously voted 4-0.*

### **CITIZEN COMMENTARY**

None

### **TOWN MEETING PREPARATIONS/MEETING WITH SELECT BOARD**

#### **DEMOLITION DELAY ARTICLE**

The Planning Board discussed the material forwarded to the Board over the prior weekend, after the Board had finalized the demolition delay article and forwarded it to the Select Board on 2/23/22. The deadline for the Board to finalize the article was 2/23/22 and that deadline was communicated to the Historical Commission when the HC Chairwoman asked that the vote by the Board to finalize the article be postponed from 2/9/22 to 2/23/22 to allow the HC time to meet again on 2/14/22 and provide the HC's voted position to the Board before 2/23/22. The Board acted on 2/23/22 without any input from the HC because, during the three-month period from early November through February as the Board worked on the article, the Board heard only from individual HC members as to their individual points of view. The Board noted repeatedly that it needed the voted consensus of the HC.

The material forwarded to the Planning Board's Chair by the HC Chairwoman on 2/27/22 and then forwarded on 2/28/22 to the rest of the Board indicated that the Historical Commission has voted to not support the article voted by the Planning Board and referred by the Board to the Select Board

and that the HC voted to request new provisions that would greatly broaden the HC's jurisdiction far beyond its current jurisdiction under the bylaw.

Chairman Sullivan noted that he met with the Historical Commission at its 6:30 pm meeting just before the Planning Board's meeting and he noted to the HC that the well-defined deadlines to discuss matters had not been met by the HC and there is clearly no consensus regarding language for the proposed article. Since there is not a consensus regarding language to amend the bylaw, the Planning Board discussed withdrawing its article and notifying the Select Board of that and not attending the Select Board's meeting.

**MOTION:** Member Mauch moved and it was duly seconded and voted unanimously (4-0) to withdraw the Demolition Delay article voted by the Planning Board and submitted to the Select Board on 2/23/2022 and to deliver the attached memorandum to the Select Board to notify the Board of the vote to withdraw the article and to eliminate the warrant placeholder requested by the Planning Board.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Greenberg to adjourn at 7:20 P.M. and the motion was duly seconded and unanimously voted.*

### **NEXT MEETING**

March 9, 2022 – Town Hall, Room 112 at 7 pm.

I certify that the above minutes were reviewed and approved by a majority vote of the Planning Board on \_\_\_\_\_.

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George Woodland III, Clerk

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