

**Norwell Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2013**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

CITIZEN COMMENTS – None

7:35 Paul Foulsham – Highway Surveyor – Paving Update – Paul Foulsham updated the Board on 4 miles of paving of 3 Town Streets: Lincoln Street from Main to Grove, all of Winter and Summer Streets. Previously put down cold plain 2 inches, placed binder, and put in 15 independent drainage systems. Has met with the rep from T.L. Edwards to schedule the final paving and will have a start date by the end of the week with hopes to have completed the work before school starts. It should take 5-7 days to complete the paving. Roads will remain open with one lane and police details. Next will be South Street. He has met with the Town Planner to discuss a sidewalk from the High School to the new pathways. Paul discussed Prospect and Grove; he has seen cars lined up 4 across Prospect St. He would like to tighten up the corners and mark lanes for turning. He is also looking at improving the intersection of Forest & Circuit Streets. Cost for reconstruction of Prospect & Grove is ~\$140k and ~\$35k for Circuit & Forest.

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Liaisons – no updates

Library/Town Hall Study Committee – Ellen Allen & Tammie Garner had discussions with the Board of Library Trustees on moving forward with a Study Committee that would include looking at Town Hall per the instruction from the May Town Meeting. A member of the audience inquired if a member of the Library Friends and/or the Trustees could be on the Study Committee. Ellen Allen stated that one member will be designated by the Library Trustees. *MOTION was made to establish a Library/Town Hall Study Committee with a Mission Statement as presented. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles – Board discussed the Warrant Article to reduce the CPA surcharge from 3% to 2%. Some members do not support the reduction, but feel it is important to put the option forward to town meeting due to the requested override for the police station. *MOTION: David DeCoste moved that the Board place an article in the Warrant to reduce the CPA surcharge from 3% to 2%. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

Economic Development Committee will be submitting a Zoning Article that they would like the Selectmen to co-sponsor. *Board unanimously voted to co-sponsor the Zoning Article presented by the Economic Development Committee.*

NEW BUSINESS

Fill the Boot Fundraiser Request – August 31, 2013 – *MOTION: David DeCoste moved that the Board of Selectmen approve the application from the Norwell Fire Fighters Local 2700 to hold the annual Fill the Boot fundraising program in front of the fire station on Washington Street*

on Saturday, August 31, 2013 with a rain date of Sunday, September 1, 2013 between the hours of 9:00AM to 3:00PM. Seconded and unanimously voted.

North River Theater One Day License Request – September 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 2013 –

MOTION: David DeCoste moved that the Board approve a request from the North River Theater for a one day license to sell All Alcohol for live theater performances at the North River Theater, Inc., 513 River Street Norwell, on Friday and Saturday evenings on September 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 2013 between the hours of 7:00PM to 11:00PM. Seconded and unanimously voted.

Accept Resignation for the PBMC and Capital Budget Committee – JEF Fitzgerald has submitted his letter of resignation from the Capital Budget Committee and the PBMC because of increased obligations both personally and professionally. *MOTION: David DeCoste moved that the Board accept with regret the letter of resignation from JEF Fitzgerald from the PBMC and Capital Budget Committee and thanked him for his time. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

Informing Residents about the Special Town Meeting – The Board brain stormed on the best way to inform residents on the upcoming Special Town Meeting. Ideas discussed were informational meetings and presentations at the Council on Aging and various school groups, as well as disseminating information on WATD and in the Mariner. Tammie suggested attending Committee and/or Board meetings to present.

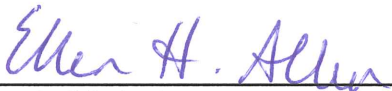
ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Union Contracts: Police, SEIU, AFSCME

MOTION: David DeCoste moved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Union Contracts: Police, SEIU, AFSCME and not return to open session. Seconded and unanimously voted.

Chairman Ellen Allen explained that to discuss this in an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Town's bargaining or litigating position. Ellen Allen polled the Board. DeCoste voted yes, McBride voted yes, Garner voted yes and Allen voted yes.



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