

TOWN OF NORWELL
Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2013

The Advisory Board was called to order by Vice Chairman Gary Thomas at 7:32 p.m. Present were: Mary Ellen Coffey, Gary Thomas, Skip Joseph, Ralph Gordon, George Jamieson, Jacky McClean and Jason Brown. Not present: Tim Greene and Meg Collins. Also present: Town Administrator James Boudreau.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Acceptance of Minutes: None

Transfer Requests: None

Bills: None

Correspondence/Notices: None

NEW BUSINESS

Board of Water Commissioners – Present: Peter Dillon, Jack McInnis, Fred St. Ours and Steve Ivas.

Article 25 (Water Main Installation) – Peter Dillon briefed the AB on the purpose of this article. The Board is hoping that the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available water funds and/or authorize borrowing of up to \$1,250,000 installation of waters mains so in ensures the ability of delivering water throughout the Town. MOTION: The Advisory Board recommends this article as amended. Seconded and passed unanimously (voted 7-0).

Article 26 (Water Treatment Pilot Studies) – Peter Dillon stated that this is for the Grove Street wells and the Water Department is seeking to raise and appropriate or transfer from available water funds a sum not to exceed \$200,000. The purpose of this is for conducting water treatment technique pilot studies. MOTION: The Advisory Board recommends this article as written. Seconded and passed unanimously (voted 7-0).

Article Hearings – Council on Aging – Rescheduled

Article 54 (Repeal CPC) – Bob Kustka briefed the Board on the Petition he is sponsoring. This article would be to provide tax relief to the citizens of Norwell by revoking the CPA surcharge of 3% on annual property taxes. The Advisory Board would like to have discussions with the CPC on this article and will not vote this evening.

Article 53 (CPA Reduction to 1%) – Penny Wilson briefed the Advisory Board on the Citizens Petition to reduce the CPA surcharge from 3% to 1%. The Advisory Board would like to have discussions with the CPC on this article and will not vote this evening.

Article 56 (SS Women’s Center) – Kathy Spear explained how the \$4,000 funds are used for services like domestic violence intervention and prevention services for its residents and food pantry. MOTION: The Advisory Board recommends this article as written. Seconded and passed unanimously (voted 7-0).

Citizens Petition – Utility Pole (Don Mauch) – Postponed

Citizens Petition – CPC Commercial Exemption (Don Mauch) – Postponed

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEXT MEETING

March 12 – CPC

March 14 – School Committee

Adjourn – Motion was made to adjourn. Seconded and unanimously passed.



Gary Thomas, Vice Chairman