

**Norwell Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2015**

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Gregg McBride opened the meeting and introduced Ellen Allen, Jason Brown, Alison Demong, Peter Smellie and Town Administrator Peter Morin. Gregg moved out of Executive Session
MOTION: Ellen Allen moved the Board approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Peter Smellie and unanimously voted.

4. REPORTS

a) Citizen Comments – None

b) Selectmen's Report and Announcements

Ms. Demong thanked the organizers of Summer Fest. They will come in next week for a formal thank you.

c) Town Administrator's Report

Mr. Morin noted a car wash request for a Norwell High School fundraiser, June 20th

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to approve a car wash request for June 20, 2015 at the Town Hall parking lot, from 9am-1pm. unanimously voted.

Commonwealth Connect, also known as See, Click, Fix, is interested having Norwell use their software program. There is no cost to the town as it is funded by a grant, and about 60 communities are using it currently. This is a state-wide program which allows town residents to respond to non-emergency town issues, and allows complaints, tracking and aggregating data. Mr. Morin would like to bring this back to the board when the software is closer to a proposed installation date.

New carpet installation has really improved the workplace at Town Hall. There is still work to be done, but all offices are functional.

5. Discussion/Action Items

a) 7:35pm Public Hearing – the applicant, Greenlight LLC, wishes to withdraw the application for a Common Victualler's licenses at this time, per the notice from his attorney.

b) Ellen Moshier – Complete Streets Committee Applicant

Mr. McBride welcomed her back, and asked her to give an overview of her background for both the BOS and viewers. The composition of this committee was discussed, which will have representation from other Town boards. *Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Ellen Moshier to the Complete Streets Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted.*

c) Police Officer interviews – Police Chief Ross gave a summary of the process to fill the vacant position in the Police Department. These 3 candidates have already been interviewed by the Police Department and scored highest on the most recent Civil Service exam. All candidates are Norwell residents.

Nathaniel Bates. The board asked Mr. Bates to give an overview of his education and background and answered interview questions from the board.

Julie Christian – Ms. Allen knows Ms. Christian, but believes this will not impair her ability to participate in this decision. Ms. Christian gave an overview of her background and answered interview questions from the board.

Kayla Puricelli – Norwell resident. Ms. Puricelli gave an overview of her background and answered interview questions from the board.

Chief Ross gave his recommendations and a summary of the interviews already conducted. All candidates' references were checked. Chief Ross stated that the police personnel interviewing all three candidates unanimously recommend that the BOS appoint Kayla Puricelli to the vacant patrolman's position, pending her passing various drug checks and training. Her writing ability, common sense, oral interview, background check were all excellent.

The board commented that all candidates interviewed well. They respect Chief Ross' opinion and will go with his recommendation. *Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Kayla M. Puricelli to the vacant patrolman position in the Police Department with a preliminary term of six months starting August 31, 2015. Unanimously voted*

6. Licenses and Permits – *Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to approve a request from the Silent Chef for a one day liquor license serving all alcohol on August 23, 2015, for the Kelly bridal shower, from 11am to 3pm. unanimously voted*

5. Discussion/Action Items

a) **2015 Committee Re-appointments** – Discussion and votes for committee reappointments:

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Paul W. Murphy as Animal Control Officer to a term expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Richard Webber and Jeff Bergholtz to the Athletic Fields Committee, for terms expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted.

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Susan Solis to the Beautification Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Philip Brown and Thomas Harrison (alternate) to the Zoning Board of Appeals for terms expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Gerald O'Neill as Alternate Building Inspector for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Rebecca Allen, Richard Hartigan, Francis Nagle and Lynne Rose to the Cemetery Committee for terms expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Pattie Nelson, Deborah Paine and Kevin Cohane to the Committee on Disabilities for terms expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Peter Shea to the Community Housing Trust for a term expiring June 30, 2017. Unanimously voted

NOTE: the Community Preservation Committee appointments will take place at an upcoming meeting as there are more applicants than available seats. The current board members who are up for reappointment will be invited to next week's BOS meeting for interviews.

NOTE: The Conservation Commission appointments will also take place at an upcoming BOS meeting.

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Kevin Dalton, Jerold Loomis, Michael Moore and Peter Carlson as Constables for terms expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Wes Osborne, Jr. to the Council on Aging for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Nathalie Vining and Lois Athanasiou to the Cultural Council for terms expiring June 30, 2017. Unanimously voted

Motion, made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Donna Cunio to the Cushing Memorial Directors board for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Richard Merritt to the Economic Development Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Robert McMackin, Harry Solis and Matthew DeCoursey to the Energy Committee for terms expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Cliff Prentiss to the position of Fence Viewer for a term expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Edward Geswell, Edward Geswell, III (alternate), Michael Hoadley (alternate) and Gary Young (alternate) to the positions of Gas and Plumbing Inspectors, for terms expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint David DeGhetto, Robert Norris and James Kelliher to the Historical Commission for terms expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Charles Palmeri, and John Lunn as Inspectors of Wires for terms expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Frank White and Jamie Lowry to the Library/Town Hall Study Committee for terms expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Joseph Strazdes to the North River Patrol for a term expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Laurence Gogarty to the Permanent Building and Maintenance Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Adrienne Vavpetic to the Personnel Board for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

NOTE: the board decided to wait on the appointments of the Special Police officers until an upcoming meeting.

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Virginia Maree and Andrea Warren to the Recreation Commission for terms expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted.

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie to appoint Robert Egan as Sealer of Weights and Measures for a term expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Robert Molla to the Regional Vocational School District board for a term expiring June 30, 2018. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint Peter Morin, Matthew Power, Frank White and Marynel Wahl to the Town Technology Committee for terms expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, to appoint David Osborne as Veterans Agent and Veterans Grave Officer for terms expiring June 30, 2016. Unanimously voted

5e) Board of Health – Waste Management Contract – BOH member Peter Dillon discussed the new contract with Waste Management. The BOH has the authority to sign the contract without additional money being appropriated, but it will be worthwhile to talk about “where we are and where we’re going”. The BOS asked if there is any way to institute Pay-As-You Throw before next July. Per Mr. Dillon, Town Meeting appropriated \$820K for trash removal. He gave a summary of the current procedure for trash removal and disposal in Norwell. Single stream recycling costs a lot more money. The plan is to start Pay-As-You Throw with a new contract on 7/1/16, which will look different from the old contracts because of the new program criteria. Implementing the new program and changing the contract terms at the same time would be very difficult. Per Mr. Dillon, it takes a year to get the program up and running. He discussed the Grant from DEP and the South Shore Recycling Cooperative. He is hopeful that recycling numbers will increase and the projected trash removal cost will not be as high. There will be education programs for Pay-As-You Throw. There is a budget of \$10K plus refunds from SEMASS to spend on getting the Town ready, which will start September 1, 2015. Mr. Dillon reiterated that the greatest need to have everyone understand the new program!

The BOH and the BOS will plan to have ongoing conversations between now and then. This one year contract is an experiment to see how to structure a future 5 year contract. The board discussed various trash removal issues and options with Mr. Dillon. Town resident Karen Reynolds suggested putting an insert in the water bill with recycling statistics to inspire residents. Mr. Dillon stated that there might be some funding available for this purpose. Mr. McBride suggested putting information on the Town website, and having the BOH come back to the BOS meeting in the fall to do some PR. He asked Mr. Dillon to send monthly trash removal figures to the Town Administrator.

5d) Committee Interviews

Natalie DiCecca – currently employed by the Andrew Gordon Insurance Agency. Ms. DiCecca gave a summary of her work experience including her insurance career with specialization in risk management. The board asked if she had any areas of interest in the CPA Act; no, not particularly. Mr. McBride stated the need for good communication skills, and the need to work together as the CPC is a large board. CPC philosophy and areas of interest were discussed further. The board asked if Ms. DiCecca were interested in any other boards, and recommended that she consider a seat on the Capital Budget Committee, which would fit well with her

experience. Currently there are more applicants for CPC seats than available openings. Ms. DiCecca mentioned her difficulty with submitting an application for a town board position and offered suggestions for improvements, which were noted by the board.

Peter Smellie, ("the younger") gave a summary of his work experience. He is interested in a seat on the ZBA, Bylaw Review Committee, or the Capital Budget Committee. The board stated that there are lots of openings, but an applicant may not get exactly what is requested. However, the Town would love to have him on another committee. *Motion: made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Jason Brown, to appoint Peter W. Smellie, to the Capital Budget Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2018, BOS member Peter Smellie abstained, vote was 4 in favor, 0 against.*

Julie Gillis – Applicant for CPC. The board reiterated that her request may not be guaranteed due to the number of applicants, and would she consider other committees? Perhaps the CPC would benefit from a board member who is a lawyer. Ms. Gillis gave a summary of her background and work experience. She would be open to other committees. The BOS stated that the General Bylaws and Zoning Bylaws committees could certainly use her legal expertise. The board also asked Ms. Gillis for her opinion on CPA spending in the Town.


Jill O'Loughlin – Applicant for the Library/Town Hall Study Committee, and Senior tax relief, will come in next week for her interview.

There are currently three existing CPC members who have reapplied for their seats on the board. The BOS will invite them to come in for an interview at the next meeting. Mr. Morin will follow up with the Police Chief Ross on the appointments of the Special Police Officers.

7. Approval of Minutes – During the 7:00 portion of the meeting the following Executive Session Minutes were approved: January 14, 2015, January 21, 2015, February 4, 2015, February 11, 2015, February 25, 2015, April 14, 2015 and April 15, 2015.

9. 9:45 ADJOURNMENT – *Motion; made by Ellen Allen, seconded by Peter Smellie, was made to adjourn. Unanimously voted*

10. Executive Session – none



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