

**Norwell Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
January 30, 2013**

Gregg McBride opened the meeting and introduced Ellen Allen, David DeCoste and Town Administrator Jim Boudreau. *MOTION was made to approve the agenda as written. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**CITIZEN COMMENTS** – None

**7:45 Economic Development Committee Update** – Chairman Rick Merritt, Lenard Cubellis and Pat Campbell presented an update on the EDC's work. Items included 3 potential articles for Town Meeting that could include zoning parts of Route 53 as mixed residential and commercial, relaxing set-backs and buffer zones in some commercial areas, changing mitigation fees and accelerating permitting for projects. This is a long term project and its purpose is to raise commercial tax revenue to alleviate residential taxes. The EDC will be meeting with the Conservation Commission soon.

**Housing Trust Committee Update** – Gregg McBride updated the Board on the two projects that are in progress. One is a feasibility study for the town's 5+ acres on Wildcat Lane to see what affordable housing could be developed there. The other is a small grants program that addresses the safety needs of senior residents for projects like oil burner repairs, broken pipes or other safety needs.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Goals & Policies** –Held

**Debt Policy** – Held

**NEW BUSINESS**

**One Day License Request – Bartending Service of New England – March 16, 2013**

*MOTION was made that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England, LLC for a one day license to sell All Alcohol for a Church Fundraiser event to be held at the Cushing Center on March 16, 2013 between the hours of 6:00PM and 10:00PM. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**Request for Best Buddies Bike Ride – June 1, 2013**

*MOTION was made that the Board approve a request from Best Buddies Challenge to hold a Benefit Bicycle Race that will pass through the Town of Norwell on Saturday, June 1, 2013 from Pond Street to Neil Gate Street, subject to the satisfaction of the Police Chief, Fire Chief and Highway Surveyor. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**Request for Evan Henry Road Race – May 19, 2013**

*MOTION was made that the Board approve the request from the organizers of the Evan Henry Road Race to hold the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Road Race on Sunday, May 19, 2013 at the Norwell High School, and further that the organizers work with Chief Reardon and Chief Ross to meet any of their requirements. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**License Agreement – 42 Main Street** – hold

**Park View Inn License Renewal** – This License had previously been held because the applicant had not installed a monitored fire alarm system which was required at last year’s renewal. This has since been completed and the Fire Department has signed off. The installer of the system failed to pull an electrical permit as required under the electric code. *MOTION was made that the Board renew the Lodging License for Park View Inn for calendar year 2013. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**FY 14 Budget Discussion** – Jim Boudreau updated the Board on projected revenues and expenses, OPEB, health insurance, the Facilities Manager position and Council on Aging needs.

**Selectmen Warrant Articles** – Jim Boudreau briefed the Board on the Selectmen’s potential Warrant Articles: Regional Dispatch, Legal, Stabilization, Town Reports, Annual Budget, Capital Budget, Personnel Plan, Contracts, ESCO, Police Station (perhaps requiring a Water Department Land transfer), Flag protocol, Reduction in CPC Surcharge and creation of a Facilities Manager position. The Warrant will close on February 13, 2013.

Gregg McBride expressed his view that the CPA surcharge would best be a Citizens Petition article. The Board then shared comments that citizens have conveyed to them individually on the subject of a reduction to the CPA surcharge. The Flag Article was then discussed, with David DeCoste explaining that the Legion wants this article to ensure that only the flags permitted by federal and state laws be allowed to fly on town flag poles. Jim Boudreau confirmed that the language of the proposed article is legal. David DeCoste feels that the Article should come from the Selectmen, but if not , it will be a Citizens Petition put forth by the Legion.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Girl Scout Troop 73532 is hosting a Blood Drive for Brigham and Women’s Hospital and Dana-Farber on Saturday February 2, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Fire Headquarters, 300 Washington Street.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None

  
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