# Norwell Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes May 2, 2012

John Mariano opened the meeting and introduced Gregg McBride, Ellen Allen and Town Administrator James Boudreau.

MOTION: Gregg McBride moved the Board approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Ellen Allen and unanimously voted.

<u>CITIZEN COMMENTS:</u> Dan Palotta, Town of Hanover Selectmen, introduced Hanover's new Town Manager, Troy Clarkson. John Mariano thanked Dan Palotta and welcomed Troy Clarkson aboard.

- 7:35 Tom O'Brien Regionalization/Additional Town Support Initiatives Plymouth County Treasurer Tom O'Brien and County Commissioner Sandy Wright reviewed the services currently provided to Norwell by Plymouth County: the Registry of Deeds (including the satellite office in Rockland), running of three district courts, management of the Mayflower Municipal Health Group, bulk purchasing bid lists, the fire control plane and firefighter training facilities, among others. Tom O'Brien explained that the County is meeting with towns to discuss other regionalized services they might like the County to provide. Suggestions from other towns have been trash disposal, tax bill processing, property assessing, road salt purchasing, OPEB trust fund investments, HR functions, recycling, animal control, parking tickets, bulk purchases for gas & diesel fuel, and others.
- 8:00 Permanent Building & Maintenance Committee (PBMC) Update Present: Lee McKenney, Glenn Ferguson, George Williams, Chief Ted Ross and Chief Andy Reardon. Lee McKenney updated the Board of Selectmen on the status of the Council on Aging expansion. Also discussed was the Police Station and next steps to be taken. The Board of Selectmen asked the PMBC if they would like to have sub-committees to ease up on the project loads because there are other Town Buildings that need to be addressed like the Library and Town Hall. The PMBC will get back to the Selectmen about this idea.
- **8:45** Betsy Gordon Town Charter Update Betsy Gordon gave a brief update to the Board of Selectmen on the time line leading up to the Town Charter ballot question in the upcoming election.
- 9:00 Public Hearing Norwell Sunoco, Retail Package Wine & Malt License

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Drew McAllister – Resignation from the Economic Development Committee** – Drew McAllister notified the Board that he was moving out of Norwell and would no longer be able to serve on this committee. The Board thanked him for his service. *MOTION: Gregg McBride moved that the Board accept Drew McAllister's resignation from the Economic Development Committee effective May 2, 2012. Seconded by Ellen Allen and unanimously voted.* 

**Lenord Cubellis – Economic Development Committee Appointment** – Lenord Cubellis briefed the Board of Selectmen on his background and how he could bring value to the Committee. *MOTION: Gregg McBride moved to appoint Lenord Cubellis to the Economic Development Committee to a Term Expiring June 30, 2013. Seconded by Ellen Allen and unanimously voted.* 

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Town Meeting Discussion** – Board of Selectmen announced they will be doing a presentation on May 15, 2012. Town Meeting is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> (and 11<sup>th</sup> if needed) and then after the Saturday May 19, 2012 Town Elections on May 21, 2012. This is so only one budget needs to be done after knowing whether the override has passed.

## **UPCOMING MEETING**

May 7, 2012

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission will hold 5 public hearings for the purpose of comment and testimony concerning the Commission's study on Happy Hour Regulations.
- Letter from the Water Commissioners announcing that a Water Ban is now in effect.
- Habitat for Humanity will be holding a kick off fundraiser on Friday, May 11, 2012 at 7:30PM at the Cushing Center.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Not needed

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

Board of Selectmen