Norwell Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes September 12, 2012

Gregg McBride opened the meeting and introduced Ellen Allen, David DeCoste and Town Administrator James Boudreau.

Agenda Amended to add under New Business #6 Bartending Services of New England

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved the Board approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

Recycling Committee – Vicky Spillane – Facebook Request – Vicky Spillane explained that at the last Recycling Committee meeting, one of the items discussed was setting up a Facebook page under the "Friends of Norwell Recycling" and they would like permission from the Board to do so. The Selectmen supported the idea and offered to link it to the Town Website when it is ready.

COMMITTEE INTERVIEWS / APPOINTMENTS

Steve Ivas - CPC Applicant – Steve Ivas briefed the Board of Selectmen on why he is interested in serving on the CPC and what he could bring to that Committee. Ellen Allen inquired if he would continue as a member on the Water Commissions and he said he would.

Jeff Fitzgerald – **PBMC Applicant** – Jeff Fitzgerald briefed the Board of Selectmen on why he is interested in serving on the Permanent Building and Maintenance Committee and what he could bring to that Committee.

Lori Hillstrand – Conservation Commission Applicant – Lori Hillstrand briefed the Board of Selectmen on why she is interested in serving on the Conservation Commission and what she could bring to the Commission.

- **8:00 Jeannie Burtch Athletic Field Committee Applicant** Jeannie Burtch briefed the Board of Selectmen on why she is interested in serving on the Athletic Field Committee and what she could bring to that Board.
- **8:05** Andrew Whittaker PBMC Applicant Andrew Whittaker briefed the Board of Selectmen on why he is interested in serving on the Permanent Building and Maintenance Committee and what he could bring to that Board.
- **8:10** John Mariano Athletic Field Committee and Community Preservation Committee Applicant John Mariano briefed the Board of Selectmen on why he is interested in serving on either the CPC or Athletic Field Committee and what he could bring to either of those Committees.
- **8:15** Eric Thorbahn Athletic Field Committee Applicant Eric Thorbahn briefed the Board of Selectmen on why he is interested in serving on the Athletic Field Committee and what he could bring to that Committee.

8:20 Ron Mott - Conservation Commission Applicant – Ron Mott briefed the Board of Selectmen on why he is interested in serving on the Conservation Commission and what he could bring to the Commission.

Gregg McBride thanked all the applicants and explained that there are more interviews and the Board will make a decision when interviews are completed.

8:30 Group Home on Prospect Street Discussion - Road to Responsibilities CEO Chris White came before the Board to discuss concerns expressed by neighbors of the new Group Home to be built on Prospect St. The neighbors were upset that they did not know about it before the land was cleared; they had several concerns. Gregg McBride apologized that they had been surprised by the project. He explained that preparing to build this Group Home had been a 2 year process, that it was discussed and approved at Town Meeting, published in the newspaper, and discussed at several Board of Selectmen meetings. Liam Deeney spoke about concerns with the land use restrictions. Jutta Deeney explained that she had asked for the RFP so that she could review it and went on to explain that she is a Real Estate Attorney for the City of Boston with municipal knowledge. Jutta Deeney was concerned that this might become a bigger facility in the future. Ellen Allen asked Chris White if he was willing to change the deed restriction to cap the home at the 5 bedrooms being built now and he said he did not see a problem with doing so. Maria Fanning spoke about all the trees being taken down, not leaving a tree line between properties. Town Counsel Bob Galvin agreed to gather comments for the restriction, modify the documents and have them ready for signature at the next meeting. Gregg McBride asked that the plans be available for viewing at the next meeting.

George Road Update - Jim Boudreau briefed the Board on the current status of the George's Road situation. Gregg McBride asked to have the Conservation Commission present for these discussions. Gregg McBride had spoken with John Hornstra regarding the materials coming from his farm. John Hornstra had explained that he had purchased a machine that separates and removes rocks from soil. Over the course of a few years, the pile of rocks grew and when he priced out having the rocks removed, it was going to cost over \$5,000. The company that had given John the price came back to him with an identified use for the rocks at the project on George's Road and would move them there at no cost. Gregg McBride explained that in this situation. John Hornstra did not need a permit. However the developer and company moving the rocks had an obligation to test the materials and the Conservation Commission was now following that closely. Gregg McBride addressed the issues of contaminated soil and hydraulic oil spills. He said it was his understanding that the DEP was now involved and the issues had been resolved. Gregg explained that if the spill is less than 10 gallons, it does not need to be reported. Gregg McBride informed the residents that the Conservation Commission will be inspecting and testing the area at Hornstra Farms where the materials came from to verify it is the tailings as described.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None

NEW BUSINESS

Bartending Service of New England One Day License Request – 9/28/12 – MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England, LLC for a one day license to sell All Alcohol for a Youth Football/Cheerleading Fundraiser event to be held at the Cushing Center on September 28, 2012 between the hours of 7:00PM to 11:00PM. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

Bartending Service of New England One Day License Request – 9/29/12 – MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England, LLC for a one day license to sell Wine and Malt only for a Business Networking Event to be held at Tease Hair

Boutique, 263 Washington Street on September 29, 2012 between the hours of 7:00PM to 10:00PM. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

Bartending Service of New England One Day License Request – 10/18/12 – MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England, LLC for a one day license to sell Wine & Malt only for the Taste of Norwell event to be held at the Cushing Center on October 18, 2012 between the hours of 5:30PM to 8:30PM. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

Lessings Cafe One Day License Request – 9/27/12 – MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board approve a request from Lessings Food Service of 3500 Sunrise Highway, Great River, NH for a one day license to sell Wines & Malts only for a Chamber of Commerce Meeting to be held at 141 Longwater Drive, Norwell, MA on September 27, 2012 between the hours of 5:00PM to 7:30PM. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

Block Party Request for Captain Vinal Way – Deb Hutchins of 88 Captain Vinal Way asked to hold a neighborhood block party at the cul-de-sac in front of #88 on Saturday, September 15, 2012 with a rain date of September 22, 2012 between the hours of 4:00PM and 11:00PM. MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board approve a request from Deb Hutchins to hold block party at the cul-de-sac at 88 Captain Vinal Way on Saturday, September 15, 2012, with a rain date of September 22, 2012, between the hours of 4:00PM and 11:00PM. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

September 19, 2012

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Water Department Rescinding the Water Restrictions effective September 7, 2012

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel Contracts, Union Contracts and Farm Contracts

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved that the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel Contracts, Union Contracts and Farm Contracts and not return to open session. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

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

Board of Selectmen

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