Norwell Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes June 20, 2012

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

MOTION: Ellen Allen moved the Board approve the agenda amended to postpone the Jacobs Pond Estate Discussion. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Farm Licenses – Gregg McBride explained that it is important that individuals using Town Fields have a signed agreement. The Board consulted with the Hingham Conservation Commission and obtained a generic form that Hingham uses, which was used by Town Counsel to draft Licenses. Fields, barns and buildings discussed were: the Jacobs Farm Property including the East Barn, Main Barn, and Carriage House, as well as the Donovan and Osborn Fields. Town Counsel Bob Galvin was present to discuss first drafts for the different Farm Agreements/Licenses and how each one was unique because they are under different boards' care and custody and may have restrictions. Bob Galvin stated that it is important for the Town to be protected from liability for any personal injury or damage to the property by being listed as additional insured under the Farmers' policies, which must have sufficient liability coverage. Gregg explained that this is the beginning of a process and that the Conservation Commission can't have agreements with Farmers regarding use of the Fields without also having the Selectmen's approval. David Osborn asked that Gregg McBride and Bob Galvin read in the MACC handbook Page 132, 8.4.2.1. re. Leases and Licenses with Farmers. David Osborn. expressed his concern that the Conservation Commission had not received draft contracts until the prior afternoon and that he had then spoken with the Farmers, who were not amenable to the proposals. Ellen Allen clarified that the role of the Board of Selectmen in agreements with Farmers using Town Owned Land is the overall protection of the Town, not the specific arrangements for the care of the Fields, which would be up to the Conservation Commission. Ellen Allen also explained that this is only a first step in a process and that the Licenses would protect the Farmers as well as the Town. Gregg McBride thanked everyone for coming.

2012 Committee Re-appointments – MOTION: Ellen Allen moved to appoint the following members as listed below. Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously approved.

<u>Name</u>	Appointed to:	Term Ending
Paul W. Murphy	ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	June 30, 2013
Arthur J. Lunny	BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Susan K. Solis	BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Philip Y. Brown	BOARD OF APPEALS	June 30, 2015
Thomas P. Harrison	BOARD OF APPEALS ALTERNATE MEMBER	June 30, 2015
Gerald O'Neill	BUILDING INSPECTOR ALT.	June 30, 2015
Charles Markham	CABLE TV COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
William Grafton III	CONSERVATION COMMISSION	June 30, 2015
David M. Magee	CONSERVATION COMMISSION	June 30, 2015
Kevin J. Dalton	CONSTABLES	June 30, 2015

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Jerold S. Łoomis	CONSTABLES	June 30, 2015
Michael C. Moore	CONSTABLES	June 30, 2015
Peter J. Carlson	CONSTABLES	June 30, 2015
Kevin A. Bullock	CONSTABLES	June 30, 2015
Wesley H. Osborne, Jr.	COUNCIL ON AGING	June 30, 2015
Constance C. Stone	CULTURAL COUNCIL	June 30, 2014
Donna M. Cunio	CUSHING MEMORIAL DIRECTORS	June 30, 2015
Richard A. Merritt	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Cliff Prentiss	FENCE VIEWER	June 30, 2013
Edward J. Geswell	GAS & PLUMBING INSPECTOR	June 30, 2013
Edward J. Geswell III, Alt.	GAS & PLUMBING INSPECTOR	June 30, 2013
Michael Hoadley	GAS & PLUMBING INSPECTOR	June 30, 2013
Gary A. Young, Alt.	GAS & PLUMBING INSPECTOR	June 30, 2013
Daniel P. Collins	GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Charles Palmeri	INSPECTOR OF WIRES	June 30, 2013
John C. Lunn, Alt.	INSPECTOR OF WIRES	June 30, 2013
George Preble	LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMM.	June 30, 2015
Jay McOsker	LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMM.	June 30, 2015
Joseph Strazdes	NORTH RIVER PATROL	June 30, 2013
Gertrude H. Daneau	NORWELL CEMETERY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2013
Mary C. Lizotte	NORWELL CEMETERY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Richard Haritgan	NORWELL CEMETERY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Francis J. Nagle	NORWELL CEMETERY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Lynne Rose	NORWELL CEMETERY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Mary Cole	NORWELL ENERGY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2013
David DeGhetto	NORWELL HISTORICAL COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Robert H. Norris	NORWELL HISTORICAL COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Ernest Anastasio	SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:	June 30, 2013
Michael A. Brenton	SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:	June 30, 2013
Kevin J. Driscoll	SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:	June 30, 2013
Matthew R. Luccarelli	SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:	June 30, 2013
Thomas Twigg	SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:	June 30, 2013
Maureen Shirkus	SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:	June 30, 2013
Katelin Jenkins	SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:	June 30, 2013
Virginia M. Maree	RECREATION COMMISSION	June 30, 2015
Patricia G. Richardson	RECREATION COMMISSION	June 30, 2015
Holly Mayer Wenger	RECYCLING COMMITTEE	June 30, 2015
Peter J. Jones	SEALER WEIGHTS & MEASURES	June 30, 2013
Norman E. Thoms	S.S. RECYCLING CO-OP	June 30, 2013
Robert L. Molla, Jr.	S.S. REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST.	June 30, 2015
Donna G. Mangan	TOWN ACCOUNTANT	June 30, 2015
Robert E. Galvin, Esq.	TOWN COUNSEL	June 30, 2013
Robert W. Galvin, Esq., Asst	TOWN COUNSEL	June 30, 2013
James Boudreau	TOWN TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2013
Frank White	TOWN TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2013
Marynel Wahl-Halatsis	TOWN TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE	June 30, 2013

Legislative Update – Ellen Allen updated the Board on the Mass Municipal Association (MMA) meeting she attended. She explained that Norwell based the FY13 budget on the Governor's proposed budget, but the later House and Senate budgets for Local Aid came in higher: Chapter 70 monies have been increased; the Senate is pushing for full funding of Circuit Breaker, which will go into the School Budget as a reimbursement when SPED costs become high; the McKenney-Vento Act will likely pass, which would require the State to fund transportation for out of district students. The House & Senate have not approved Chapter 90 monies and that deadline was April 1st. Legislation is pending regarding broadening the use of CPA funds to include maintenance of recreational facilities that the Town currently owns.

Website Update Discussion – Gregg McBride approached Bill Letsky, the Town's liaison with Virtual Town Hall (VTH), the host of the Town web site. Gregg McBride had inquired if VTH could be updated to enhance communication with citizens and make it easier to navigate. Bill Letsky had met with Lynda Allen and Gregg McBride to discuss changes. The Tax bills soon to be sent to residents will include information explaining how residents can sign up on the website to receive notifications from the Town. David DeCoste asked to meet with Jim Boudreau for more information on what is involved in the Town Web Site.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

June 27, 2012

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – Motion was made to adjourn by Ellen Allen, seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.

Board of Selectmen