

**Norwell Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
October 12, 2011**

John Mariano opened the meeting and introduced Gregg McBride, Ellen Allen and Town Administrator James Boudreau. John Mariano explained that the Board was in Executive Session discussing Pending Litigation.

Call to Order at 7:48 PM

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

**CITIZEN COMMENTS** – None

**Board of Assessors Vacancy** – Announced vacancy

**PBMC – Police Station** – John Mariano explained that the Board of Selectmen was looking for a solid number. John Mariano, Jim Boudreau, Chief Ross and Chief Reardon had a conference call with the OPM at 2:00 PM today and the number will be presented by Tuesday. John Mariano suggested the possibility of a joint meeting with the Advisory Board on Tuesday. The Board of Selectmen will post meetings for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

**Approval of Minutes** – September 20, 2011 and September 28, 2011.

*MOTION: Gregg McBride moved to approve the meeting minutes for September 20, 2011, seconded by Ellen Allen and unanimously approved.*

*MOTION: Gregg McBride moved to approve the meeting minutes for September 28, 2011, seconded by Ellen Allen and approved with John Mariano abstaining.*

Gregg McBride inquired on the status of posting minutes on the web.

**Library Substitute** – The Library would like to have this position classified so the employee can receive steps. Ellen Allen inquired if this employee would receive benefits. Title will change from Library Substitute to Circulation Assistant with hours not to exceed 19 hours.

*MOTION: Gregg McBride moved to allow the Library Trustees to change the position of Library Substitute to Circulation Assistant with the hours not to exceed 19 hours per pay period. Seconded by Ellen Allen and unanimously voted.*

**Special Town Meeting Article Discussions:**

Article 4 – Discussed the purpose and need of having an electronic signage board. Ellen Allen stated the need to have an estimate. Jim discussed purchasing 2, maybe 3. They would be battery powered. Jim also explained that Duxbury uses them for announcements.

Article 5 – Technology Study. First meeting with Collins Institute was today and it went extremely well.

Article 6 – Jacobs Pond Dam Study, which is required by the State.

Article 7 – Wildcat land to satisfy to Cemetery swap.

Article 8 – Replace generators at the Sparrell School and the Highway Barn. Generator at the Middle School is used to operate it as an emergency shelter. The Board would like to hold off on this article.

Article 9 – Highway Order of Compliance. Ellen Allen would like to have Gregg McBride explain this Article to the Advisory Board.

Article 10 – Veterans Benefits. The current cost to fund the current veterans receiving benefits for the entire year would be \$30,000. 75% of this is reimbursed the following year.

Article 11 – CPC Stetson Ford House.

Article 12 – Bike Path from High School to the Middle School.

Article 13 – Requested from the CPC.

Article 14 – Money for Cemetery for the Stetson Meadows design work in the amount of \$20,000.

Article 15 – Affordable Housing Trust. Adopt the full MGLs. This would entail the Affordable Housing Trust taking over the duties of the Affordable Housing Partnership.

Article 16 – Stabilization Fund.

James Boudreau will discuss Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 14 with the Advisory Board tomorrow evening.

#### **One Day License Request from Bartending Service of New England**

*MOTION: Gregg McBride moved that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England for a one day license to sell wine and malt only for The Taste of Norwell event held at the Cushing Center on October 20, 2011 between the hours of 5:30 PM and 8:00 PM. Seconded by Ellen Allen and unanimously voted.*

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Tuesday, October 18, 2011 (Attend/discuss Police Station)

Wednesday, October 19, 2011 – Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at 7:00 with the School Committee

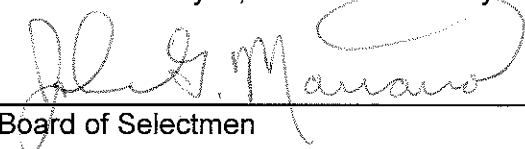
#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Board offered condolences to the Hogeland Family with the passing of Ken Hogeland.

#### **ADJOURNMENT – 8:56 PM**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – *MOTION: Gregg McBride moved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Union and Personal Contracts, not to return to open session. Seconded by Ellen Allen and unanimously voted.*

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

  
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