

Town of North Yarmouth Select Board Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, May 19, 2020 REMOTE BUSINESS MEETING

<u>Call to Order</u> – Stephen Morrison, Jennifer Speirs, James Moulton, and Paul Napolitano were present. The Town Manager, Rosemary Roy, was also present. Vice Chairperson Morrison called the meeting to order.

<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)</u> – Vice Chairperson Morrison moved to approve the minutes of May 5, 2020, as presented. Selectperson Speirs seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote:** 4 **Yes – 0 No.** Vice Chairperson Morrison moved to approve the minutes for May 11, 2020, as presented. Discussion: none. **Vote:** 4 **Yes – 0 No.**

<u>Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items</u> – Judy Potter and Mike Mallory*, Walnut Hill Road, provided the following questions/comment:

- Mrs. Potter provided comments and asked the Board how the proposed budget will assist senior residents. Vice Chairperson Morrison and the Town Manager responded that \$65,000 was put aside for the Senior Tax Program at no expense to the taxpayer for FY21.
- Mrs. Potter shared concerns that the current proposed project for a new school in North Yarmouth could
 impact the local aquifers. Vice Chairperson Morrison and the Town Manager stated that the decision to
 incorporate a new school would need to be brought forth to the voters and directed Mrs. Potter to the
 Superintendent's Office and the school's building committee.
- Mrs. Potter suggested that a new school should be considered on the Hazleton property or to have an
 engineer inspect the Wilson School. Vice Chairperson Morrison and the Town Manager stated that the
 Hazleton property was considered but was not considered due to traffic concerns.
- Mrs. Potter asked about the ballot that will be voted on July 14, 2020. The Vice Chairperson and the
 Town Manager stated that printed ballots would be available on June 14, 2020. It was also mentioned
 that candidate's night would be over Zoom as well as Public Hearings being held over Zoom.

Darla Hamlin*, Flag Committee, shared that the Flag Committee and the Fire Company will be raising 100 new flags and poles during the coming weekend. The replacement of all the flags is the first time since the inception of the program. The Flag Committee will also be giving away the used flags.

*Note: Vice Chairperson Morrison read each question and response aloud to the Board and the public via Zoom.

Management Reports & Communications:

<u>Town Manager's Report</u> – The Town Manager announced a newsletter that will be released explaining the ballot. The Town Manager's report can be found on the Town's website, <u>www.northyarmouth.org</u>, or at the Town Office. The Town Manager asked the Board if they approved the spending of \$500 to a local news organization for supporting recent Greely grads. By consensus, the Board approved of the expenditure of \$500. The Town Manager reported to the Board on the Governor's May 12th order.

<u>Department Head Reports</u> – Included in the Meeting Materials. Meeting Materials can be found on the Town's website, www.northyarmouth.org, or at the Town Office.

<u>Financial Report</u> – Included in the Meeting Materials. Meeting Materials can be found on the Town's website, www.northyarmouth.org, or at the Town Office.

Old Business:

<u>Property Lease – North Yarmouth Historical Society (NYHS)</u> – The Town Manager explained changes to the lease that were made since the last business meeting. Vice Chairperson Morrison moved that the Select Board approve the proposed lease agreement with the North Yarmouth Historical Society, as presented to include all exhibits and to authorize the Town Manager further to complete, execute, manage the agreement with representatives of the North Yarmouth Historical Society. Selectperson Napolitano seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.**

<u>COVID-19 - Reopening Standard Operating Procedures</u> - The Town Manager presented the Board with a document outlining the reopening operating regulations that will begin on June 1, 2020. No action needed.

Budget Referendum Public Hearing(s) – Process & Date(s) - Vice Chairperson Morrison moved that the Select Board call forth a public hearing on June 18th at 6 PM for the proposed FY21 Budget to be voted on by referendum ballot at the July 14, 2020 state and local elections. Selectperson Speirs seconded the motion. Discussion: Selectperson Speirs asked the Town Manager if the Public Hearing could allow for both Zoom and in-person abilities. The Town Manager advised against this because of state law. Selectperson Moulton stated that he would prefer to see the public hearing attempted at the Wescustogo Hall and North Yarmouth Community Center. Vote: 3 Yes – 1 No (Selectperson Moulton).

New Business - None.

<u>Accounts Payable</u> – Vice Chairperson Morrison moved to approve accounts payable warrants 48 and 49 in the amount of \$735,601.89, as presented. Selectperson Moulton seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote:** 4 Yes – 0 No.

<u>Any Other Business</u> – Selectperson Speirs provided comment on a GPCOG meeting she recently attended. Selectperson Moulton asked the Town Manager a question about a previous concern the Selectperson had. The Town Manager responded. The Town Manager announced new construction on Route 9.

Adjournment - Vice Chairperson Morrison moved to adjourn.

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