

Town of North Yarmouth
Board of Selectmen
Minutes of November 4, 2014

 **ORIGINAL**

I. Call to Order

Members Present: Chairman Steve Palmer, Vice Chairman Paul Napolitano, Mark Girard, Clark Whittier, and Alex Carr. Town Manager Rosemary Roy was also present.

II. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Selectman Girard moved to approve the Minutes of October 7, 2014 as amended. Selectman Napolitano seconded the motion. Discussion: Selectman Girard stated that under the Management Report, it should read the egress window should "not" be listed. The adjournment time was 8:51 and not 9:51. Selectmen Whittier indicated that on page 2, the votes should read 5-yes/0-no and not 5-yes /1-no. **Vote: 5-yes 0-no**

Selectman Napolitano moved to approve the Minutes of October 21, 2014. Selectman Carr seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4-yes 0-no 1-Abstention** (Selectman Palmer, not present at the meeting)

III. Payables

Selectman Napolitano moved to approve Payroll Warrants #19. Selectman Whittier seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 5-yes 0-no**

Selectman Girard moved to approve AP Warrant #20. Selectman Whittier seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 5-yes 0-no**

IV. Recognition of Visitors - Items not on the Agenda - None.

V. Management Reports & Communications

Town Manager's Report - Town Manager Roy commented on Public Works. The speed radar has been moved around to various parts of town. It has been placed on a trailer that was acquired at no cost. All outdoor clean-up has been done. Crack sealing continues to take place as the weather permits. The FEMA monies have come in. Selectman Napolitano asked if equipment was purchased for crack sealing or is it outsourcing. Town Manager Roy stated that the town purchased the equipment a while ago and that Public Works is doing the work.

Gregory Payson has been hired as the town's new Fire Rescue Chief. She thanked the search committee for their help in the selection process. Town Manager Roy outlined the DUNS number does not require a renewal. She is following up on the fee for the FCC number. Selectman Carr asked for an accounting of the FEMA grant funds.

The Town Office will be closed on Jan. 27th at noon for town clerks to attend training. The public will be notified. Town Manager Roy thanked the church for allowing the election to be held there. The election has been going well today.

North Yarmouth Middle School: Town Manager Roy indicated that the alarm system has been problematic. The Sheriff's Department has received 44 calls since the school has closed. She contacted the security company to help secure a better one. There will be a few more community programs and this process is going well.

Village Center Development: There is public interest in this. Selectman Carr indicated that the feedback from the public has been good and they are following the information from various sources. Selectman

Girard said his feedback was similar and that people are aware. A few people are unsure about some aspects of the idea but in general people have been supportive of the proposal. Selectman Palmer stated that people were supportive and appreciated the town's effort on this.

Knights Pond: Town Manager Roy indicated that this would require public vote. A purchase and sale agreement can be created but public vote would still be needed. She believes this is a more transparent process. Selectman Palmer indicated that feedback on this has been positive but more information has to be put out to the public. Selectman Girard asked if the Future Lands Fund is a reserved account for a specific use. Selectman Napolitano indicated that the funds could be used as a down payment process and studies but the actual purchase process would require Town Meeting vote. Selectman Girard stated that more research may need to be done to determine how the warrant item would be crafted.

Communications

Ecomaine Year End Financial Assessment/Rebate - North Yarmouth is doing very well and has received \$12,049 which has been placed in Solid Waste. Selectman Girard stated that he would like to see it listed as a reduction in expenses.

Letter of Concern - Town Manager Roy commented on the letter regarding the grounds around the Town Office. There are some funds available and would like to get some quotes and working with volunteers. Selectman Palmer indicated that this was an Eagle Scout garden project but some cleaning hasn't been in a couple of years. Selectman Whittier indicated that there are 13 Master Gardeners in the community and they are required to do some volunteer work annually. They might be a good resource.

VI. Old Business

Review of Town Owned Properties - The Selectmen received a list regarding the properties. Selectman Girard stated that some of the properties are not town owned but are quasi-public/private. He would like to see more information regarding deed interests, town obligations etc. Some of the items on the list were reviewed. Selectman Palmer asked Selectmen Napolitano and Whittier to review the list further to get more accurate, detailed information (Tax Map numbers, landlocked properties and the like). Town Manager Roy indicated that the town's software might help gather any missing items.


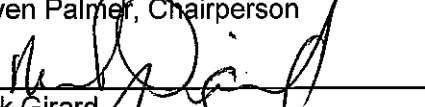

VII. New Business - None.


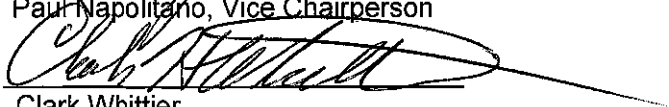
VIII. Any Other Business - Selectman Napolitano asked about the hydrant testing and the status of the Selectmen's training. Selectman Palmer would like to know about a comparison number of the Town Report this year versus past ones. Selectman Girard suggested that the organization hosting an event listed on the Upcoming Calendar of events is noted.

IX. Adjournment - Selectman Girard moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:51pm. **Vote: 5-yes 0-no**

Recorded by: Nancy Trottier
Recording Secretary

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Steven Palmer, Chairperson

Mark Girard

Alex Carr


Paul Napolitano, Vice Chairperson

Clark Whittier