

Town of North Yarmouth
Select Board
Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 19, 2021
REMOTE BUSINESS MEETING



Call to Order – Steve Berry, James Moulton, Brian Sites, and Austin Harrell were present. The Town Manager, Rosemary Roy, was also present for the meeting. Chairperson Berry called the meeting to order.

Special Presentation – Jim Tasse, Bicycle Pedestrian Coalition of Maine, presented the Traffic Calming findings from the Economic Development & Sustainability Committee, Living Well in North Yarmouth Committee, the town's Economic Consultant, Vanessa Farr, and the Bicycle Coalition of Maine. The presentation can be found at the Town Office.

Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) – Chairperson Berry moved to approve the minutes of January 05, 2021. Selectperson Harrell seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.**

Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items – Allyson Ford, 11 Edna Lane, submitted a written comment to Chairperson Berry to be read at the meeting. The letter asked the Select Board to continue educating themselves and the public regarding the topic of marijuana. Also, stating that marijuana does not have an economic benefit as the town cannot assess taxes on marijuana. Furthermore, Ms. Ford shared her concern with marijuana and its association with crime, cited in her letter. Lastly, Ms. Ford asked the Select Board to consider all the angles before changing the Land Use Ordinance.

Anne Graham asked the Select Board to address an issue regarding a resident recently who had their yard vandalized. Ms. Graham stated that the resident could have been targeted due to a "Black Lives Matter" sign posted on their lawn. Chairperson Berry asked the Board how the matter should be addressed. Selectperson Moulton stated that the option to place signage on one's property should not be infringed. Selectperson Sites asked the Town Manager how the Board should address the matter. The Town Manager stated that she would look further into the matter.

Management Reports & Communications: The Town Manager provided her full report to the Board. The Town Manager's report can be found on the town's website or the Town Office.

Department Head Bi-monthly Reports – The Town Manager provided the Board with bi-monthly reports from the Department Heads.

Financial Report – December – The Town Manager provided the financial reports to the Select Board for December.

Old Business:

Chairperson Berry moved to schedule the Annual Town Meeting for Saturday, April 24, 2021, to begin at 9:00 am and be held at the Wescustogo Hall & North Yarmouth Community Center. Selectperson Moulton seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.**

New Business:

Chairperson Berry moved to appoint Jay Fulton to the Solar Research Committee for a term to expire on May 31, 2021. Selectperson Harrell seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.**

Chairperson Berry moved to appoint Kimry Corrette as an alternate member to the Planning Board for a term to expire June 30, 2023. Selectperson Harrell seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.**

Accounts Payable - Chairperson Berry moved to approve accounts payable warrant 29, 30, and 31 in the amount of \$791,151.32, as presented for FY21. Selectperson Moulton seconded the motion. Discussion: The Town Manager stated that an employee's wages were adjusted to correct an increase that was not applied to that employee's wages. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.**

Any Other Business – none.

Executive Session – Economic Development – Chairperson Berry moved that the Select Board enter into executive session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA, Chapter 13, Public Records and Proceedings, § 405 Executive Sessions § 6(C) with the Town Manager, Rosemary Roy, Economic Development Consultant, Vanessa Farr, and Chairperson, Diane Morrison, of the town's Economic Development & Sustainability Committee to discuss economic development in the town's Village Center. Selectperson Sites seconded the motion. Discussion: Selectperson Moulton asked why the agenda item was being held via Executive Session. The Town Manager explained that the meeting would discuss confidential information about possible development in town. The executive session was closed at 9:12 PM. **No action was taken.**

Executive Session – Personnel Matter Chairperson Berry moved that the Select Board enter into executive session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA, Chapter 13, Public Records and Proceedings, § Executive Sessions § 6(A) with Town Manager, Rosemary Roy, to conduct a biannual performance review. Selectperson Harrell seconded the motion. Discussion: none. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.** The executive session was closed at 9:30 PM. **No action was taken.**

Adjournment - Chairperson Berry moved to adjourn.

Prepared By: Draven Walker
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This meeting was held over Zoom

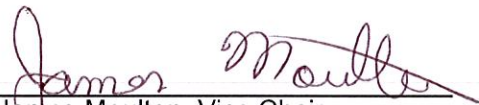
Select Board



Steve Berry, Chair



Brian Sites



James Moulton, Vice Chair



Austin Harrell