

**Town of North Yarmouth
Select Board
Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2017**

 **ORIGINAL**

Call to Order

Members Present: Peter Lacy, Jeanne Chadbourne, Jennifer Speirs & Steven Morrison. Anne Graham was absent with notification. Town Manager Rosemary Roy was also present.

Public Hearing

Vice Chair Chadbourne moved to open the Public Hearing to consider changes to the Tax Lien Property Ordinance. Selectperson Speirs seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4 Yes - 0 No.**

There was no public comment on the proposed changes to the Tax Lien Property Ordinance.

Chairperson Lacy moved to come out of Public Hearing. Selectperson Morrison seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4 Yes - 0 No**

Chairperson Lacy moved to put the Tax Lien Property Ordinance as amended on the Annual Town Meeting warrant. Selectperson Speirs seconded the Motion. Discussion: None. **Vote 4 Yes - 0 No**

Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Chairperson Lacy moved to approve the Select Board meeting minutes of November 21, 2017. Selectperson Speirs seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4 Yes - 0 No.**

Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items

None.

Management Reports & Communications

Town Manager's Report: The Town Manager provided the Board with a verbal summary of her report.

Highlights:

- NYMS will remain open and proposed funding to be through the Contingency Reserve and other resources.
- The Town is entering into a contract with GPCOG to incorporate the new state Shoreland Zoning Ordinance into the town's Land Use Ordinance.
- There has been an inquiry into a new marijuana business to open in town. There was a discussion about the ordinance and the need to have questions answered. The Board asked the manager to contact the town attorney.

Committee Communications

Parks & Recreation Committee: Ken Filliter, Chair. The committee is working on connectivity between parks and open spaces in Town as well as trying to expand the user base and activities offered; some ideas are snowshoe hikes, mountain biking, disc golf, and sledding. New maps have been installed at Chandler Brook, and Sam Ristich and bike racks have been installed around town. Moving forward the committee is working on updating signage at parks and is working on a trail easement at the Old Town House Park. Scott Kerr spoke about plans to thin out and clean up the Town forest and cut in new trails.

Chairperson Lacy moved to authorize the Parks & Recreation committee to go forward with the harvest plan as presented, proceeds to go to Parks and Recreation reserve fund with a portion of the proceeds to be designated for an updated forestry plan. Selectperson Speirs seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4 Yes – 0 No.**

Planning Board: There are 8 reviewed and approved projects in 2017. The Board is expecting a ten-house subdivision to be presented for approval shortly. The contact zoning process has been finalized. The Planning Board is discussing and leaning towards keeping the building cap that is in place in the farm and forest zone. Clark Whittier spoke about marijuana and asked the Select Board for guidance.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Fiscal Year 2016 Foreclosures: The Town Manager is preparing notifications for the FYE 2016 foreclosures, the deadline is January. The Richard Anderson Heirs property was abandoned in 2014, since then the Board has elected to waive foreclosure for fear of contaminated land. Town Manager Roy is recommending that the Board choose to foreclose and try to sell to one of the abutters. Following discussions, the Board felt the property should be waived and that the Town should obtain a statement from DEP on the property.

Selectperson Morrison moved to waive foreclosure on the Richard Anderson Heirs property. Chairperson Lacy seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3 Yes – 0 No – 1 Abstain** (Jeanne Chadbourne)

Accounts Payable – Review & Approval

Chairperson Lacy moved to accept the accounts payable Warrants 20 & 21 in the amount of \$57,666.29. Vice Chairperson Chadbourne seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4 Yes - 0 No**

Other New Business

Selectperson Morrison nominated Jennifer Speirs as Chairperson effective immediately. Vice Chairperson Chadbourne seconded the nomination. Discussion: None. **Vote 3 Yes – 0 No – 1 Abstain** (Peter Lacy).

Adjournment

Chairperson Peter Lacy moved to adjourn.

Ashley P. Roan
Recording Secretary

Select Board



Peter Lacy, Chair

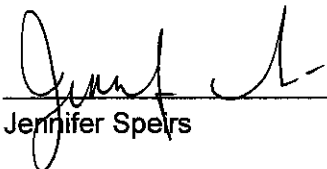


Jeanne Chadbourne, Vice Chair

Anne Graham



Stephen Morrison



Jennifer Speirs