

**Town of North Yarmouth
Select Board
Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 3, 2020**

Call to Order – William Whitten, Stephen Morrison, and James Mouton. Town Manager Rosemary Roy was also present. Jennifer Speirs provided notice to the Town Manager and the Select Board Chair of her absence. Chairperson Whitten called the meeting to order.

Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) – Chairperson Whitten moved to approve the minutes for February 18, 2020, as presented. Selectperson Morrison seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3 Yes – 0 No.**

Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items – Judy Potter, Walnut Hill Road, referred to the minutes of January 21, 2020 and provided additional comment on her concern with the increase on taxes. Judy Potter asked the Board if the MSAD 51 School Board planned to further expand in North Yarmouth and how that would affect local traffic in the Village Center. Judy Potter shared her disapproval with the increase in taxes and development in Town. Judy Potter suggested a tax relief program for individuals who do not have children. Lastly, Judy Potter asked the Board to consider a “Question and Answer” period to allow the opportunity for residents to ask questions to the Select Board. Paul Napolitano, 18 Mill Ridge Drive, discussed his concerns with the notification on the Town's website on when the Select Board would meet to discuss the Town's proposed FY21 Budget. The Town Manager responded to the question with Chairperson Whitten stating that the Board has acknowledged Paul Napolitano's concerns. Selectperson Morrison asked the Town Manger about the applicable laws pertaining to notification of Select Board meetings. The Town Manager responded that all State laws were met pertaining to notification of a Select Board meetings. Judy Potter, Walnut Hill Road, made an additional comment regarding communication. Paul Napolitano, 18 Mill Ridge Drive, provided additional comment regarding communication to the Board.

Management Reports & Communications:

Select Board Communication:

- Budget Process (Chairman Whitten)
- School Building Committee Meeting Update (Selectperson Morrison)
 - Information regarding this discussion can be found at: <http://www.msad51.org/home/primary-school-building-project>
- Coronavirus (Chairman Whitten)

Town Manager's Report – The Town Manager's report can be found at the Town's website, www.northyarmouth.org

By the consensus of the Board, there will be a Public Hearing on proposed changes to the Town Charter on March 17, 2020 at 7 PM.

Old Business:

North Yarmouth Historical Society (NYHS) – Lease of Town Property – The Town Manager provided the Board materials for their review.

Proposed Amendments Use of Parks and Recreation Area Ordinance – Chairperson Whitten moved to call for a Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the Regulations for Use of Parks and Recreation Areas Ordinance for Tuesday, March 17, 2020, at 7 PM. Selectperson Morrison seconded the motion. Discussion: The Town Manager explained the proposed changes to the Board. Selectperson Moulton stated that he wanted the ordinance to reflect state law particularly regarding time restrictions to hunt on town lands. Scott Kerr, a member of the parks and recreation committee, explained the purpose of the language used in the original ordinance. Paul Hodgetts, 1095 Sligo Road, and Paul Napolitano, 18 Mill Ridge Drive, provided additional comment on the matter. **Vote: 3 Yes – 0 No.**

Property Foreclosure – Lufkin Road – The Town Manager provided a full explanation to the Board of the property. Included in the meeting materials for this meeting are supporting documents. Selectperson Morrison moved to accept the payment arrangement for tax acquired property account #759 for \$26,793.52 and to include the payment of delinquent taxes for accounts #429, 759, and 1194 equaling \$2,896.81 and authorize the Tax

Collector/Treasurer to proceed with the collection, as presented. Discussion: Selectperson Moulton inquired on the total amount of taxes that would be collected by the tax collector as it read in the motion. **Vote: 3 Yes – 0 No.**

New Business:

Committee Appointment – North Yarmouth School Fund Trustee – Selectperson Moulton moved to appoint Judy Maddox as a trustee to the North Yarmouth School Fund with a term to expire on June 30, 2024. Selectperson Morrison seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3 Yes – 0 No.**

Eleanor Hayes Town Forest – The Town Manager provided the Board, in their meeting materials, with an explanation of this agenda item. Selectperson Moulton made a motion that the Board is in agreement with the legal opinion from Maine Municipal Association that was provided to the Town Manager in a letter dated February 10, 2020 that the Town Forest remains a Town Forest. Selectperson Morrison seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3 Yes – 0 No.**

Accounts Payable – Chairperson Whitten moved to approve accounts payable warrants 37 and 37 in the amount of \$133,562.32. Selectperson Morrison seconded the motion. Discussion: Selectperson Moulton inquired about a charge related to Economic Development. Selectperson Moulton also inquired about another payment made. The Town Manager responded that the payment was for surveying of Town property. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3 Yes – 0 No.**

Any Other Business – None.

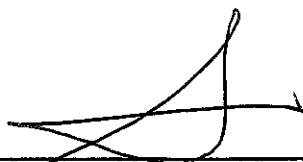
Adjournment - Chairperson Whitten moved to adjourn.

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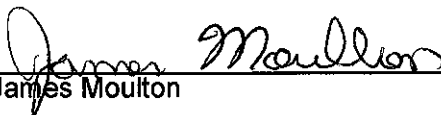
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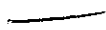
William Whitten, Chair




Stephen Morrison, Vice Chair



James Moulton



Jennifer Speirs



Paul Napolitano