

Town of North Yarmouth
Select Board
Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2017

 ORIGINAL

I. **Call to Order**

Members Present: Jeanne Chadbourne, Alex Carr, Paul Napolitano & Peter Lacy. Selectwoman Graham was absent with notification. Town Manager Rosemary Roy was also present.

II. **Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)**

Selectperson Napolitano moved to approve meeting minutes of January 3, 2017. Vice-Chair Lacy seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4-Yes 0-No**

III. **Public Comment-Non-Agenda Items**

Steve Palmer of Mountfort Road promoted the February 11th Cribbage Tournament @9:00 am. He stated it was a great success last year. Online registration is available.

Audrey Lones of Baston Road expressed concern with the number of Executive Sessions held within the last month for personnel matters. She suggested getting legal advice to protect the Town and to ensure the matter is being handled in a professional & respectful manner.

Mark Verrill of Walnut Hill Rd asked to discuss the insurance money for Wescustogo Hall. He is aware approximately \$600,000 floating around. He wants Board to fight for every penny the Town is entitled to.

Diane Morrison of Brown Dog Way mentioned that she is having difficulty hearing Board members speaking while listening to meetings online. She suggested speaking up and having microphones in front of Board members. Chairperson Chadbourne noted that microphones are in place.

Katie Murphy of Mountfort Road would like to know what is in the Boards "packets". She suggested providing copies for all to have. Selectperson Carr stated he is not opposed to public access, however, he feels the Board should have the opportunity to preview the information before public access is given. The Town Manager stated that some towns publish the information along with the agenda.

IV. **Management Reports & Communications**

Town Manager's Report: The Town Manager did not have a report due illness and time spent on preparing packets for Select Board Meeting. Town Manager Roy spoke to the insurance question raised by Mr. Verrill.

Quarterly Financial Report: Town Manager Roy commented on the highlights of the report.

Budget: The Budget process will begin on February 1st and will be finished by the end February. Meetings will be held at the Town Office.

VI. **Old Business**

Wescustogo Hall - Reconstruction: After a discussion of architectural costs it was decided the Town Manager would ask for costs in smaller increments and report back to the Board.

Employee Benefits: The Town Manager provided the Board with a summary explanation of employee benefits specifically sick time, vacation days, Income Protection, the Family Medical Leave Act, and how they can be utilized by the employee.

Cable Ordinance: All changes have been done by the Sewell Company to update the language of the current agreement. A final version will be presented prior to the Executive Session which will be held to

negotiate the franchise agreement.

VII. New Business

Annual Town Meeting - Selectperson Carr moved to approve April 22, 2017. Selectperson Lacy seconded the motion. Discussion: Katie Murphy of Mountfort Road stated that date may be inconvenient for families returning from vacation and to insure a better attendance a different date may be more favorable. Following the discussion the original motion was withdrawn. Selectperson Carr then moved to set April 8, 2017 as the date for the annual town meeting, 9am at NYMS. Selectperson Napolitano seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4-Yes 0-No**

Gateway Signs - The consensus of the Select Board was approval of the gateway sign design. Selectperson Carr suggested obtaining a bid for a total of 6 signs.

VIII. Accounts Payable – Review & Approval

Selectperson Carr moved to approve the accounts payable warrant #35 in the amount of \$76,0292.03. Selectperson Napolitano seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 4-Yes 0-No**

IX. Any Other Business

Selectperson Napolitano asked Town Manager Roy to discuss an issue at the town pit regarding the road. She and Road Commissioner Baston had already addressed the issue. Selectperson Napolitano also inquired as to the reimbursement for FRD training, in which the Town Manager said she would look into it.

Selectperson Carr asked if the Rescue Fees included costs for medications, in which the Town Manager stated she believed yes, but would confirm with Chief Payson. Selectperson Carr asked if any consideration has been made for storm clean up. Town Manager Roy and Road Commissioner Baston have discussed opening the town pit prior to the Spring cleanup. Selectperson Napolitano asked if any FEMA funding was available. At this time this storm does not qualify for FEMA assistance. Town Manager Roy will look into costs for tree and brush removal and report back to the Board.

X. Executive Session - Attorney. Selectperson Napolitano motioned to go into executive session seconded with Town Attorney Matt Tarasevich pursuant to MRSA 405 6(e) Selectperson Lacy seconded the motion. Discussion: None **Vote: 4-Yes 0-No**

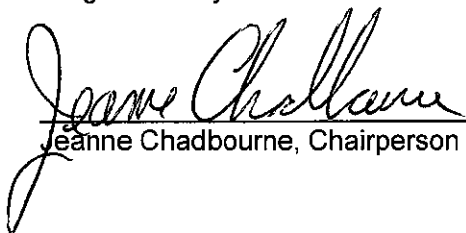
The Select Board came out of executive session at 8:30 pm.

X. Adjournment

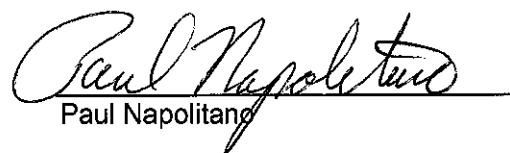
Chairperson Chadbourne moved to adjourn.

Cheryl Trenoweth
Recording Secretary

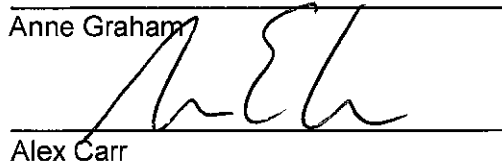
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Peter Lacy, Vice Chairperson


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