

**MINUTES OF THE SELECT BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020**

Chairwoman Manupelli called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. in Room 14 at the Town Hall in the presence of members Mrs. Gonzalez, Mr. Schultz, Mr. Wallner, Mr. O'Leary, and Town Administrator, Michael Gilleberto.

CALL TO ORDER OPEN SESSION

Chairwoman Manupelli called to order the open session at 7:35 p.m.

The Chair states: "In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, the Board states for the record that this meeting is being recorded by NORCAM and may be recorded by other local media."

The members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair asks the audience to remain standing for a moment of silence for Assistant Building Inspector Al DiSalvo, who passed away.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Mr. O'Leary:

- Acknowledged the passing of Assistant Building Inspector, Al DiSalvo who he stated was a great employee for over 20 years and sent his condolences to his family.
- Attended former Superintendent of Schools, Jon Bernard's retirement celebration and continued to say it was well deserved and wishes him a long, healthy retirement.

Mr. Wallner:

- Attended a CPC meeting last week and had the chance to meet the consultant for the package treatment plant who is doing a great job. The consultant will also be consulting with the Facility Master Plan consultant.

Mr. Schultz:

- Updated the audience on the bike path status that could go from North Reading to Newburyport. He further stated, abutters will be receiving notices, wetlands will not be filled in, and a feasibility study is ongoing.

Mrs. Gonzalez:

- Attended the Little School this morning for the National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence award presentation. She stated she had two children who attended the Little School and further stated the school and staff is amazing and only 6 schools in the state are recipients of this award.

Mrs. Manupelli:

- Stated she also attended the ceremony at the Little School. She commented about Representative Jones attending the Little School and that she is a parent of 4 children who also attended. She further stated the achievement is a confirmation of everything that Little School families already knew. She extended congratulations to Mrs. Molle and the entire staff.

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- Informed the audience the Middle School musical will be performed Friday and Saturday.

NORTH READING MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

The Middle School students performed for the audience.

RECEIVE UPDATE ON AARP NETWORK OF AGE FRIENDLY STATES AND COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Elder Services Director Mary Prenney was in attendance and addressed the Board stating it is a great time to age in North Reading, Kim Manzelli and Sheri Greer joined Mrs. Prenney as AARP Massachusetts State Director, Mike Festa presented the Certificate of Acceptance into the Network of Age-Friendly Communities. A picture was taken.

Mr. O'Leary states it is great it has come to fruition.

Mr. Wallner states the Senior community is one of the fastest growing demographics with 25% 60 years old and over. He continued to say seniors want to stay in their homes and have a purpose in the community. Mr. Wallner is proud of the Council on Aging board along with the SSAT for bringing this forward.

Mr. Schultz states it is important for seniors to stay in town and it is incumbent upon the town to improve Senior housing.

Mrs. Gonzalez states she agrees with her colleagues and being accepted into the Network has been long awaited. She continued to say there is a lot of need for Senior's such as transportation and housing and thanks all those instrumental in making this happen.

Mrs. Manupelli states the Town can work and follow the model of the program and she looks forward to keep moving ahead. She thanks all involved for their efforts.

Mr. Gilleberto announced that the Town has been awarded a 35 Thousand Dollar Community Compact grant from the state to move forward with implementing the age friendly community initiative. He further stated the Town has received an additional 25 Thousand Dollars in funding to develop a plan for senior housing near Carpenter Drive. He recognizes Representative Jones and Senator Tarr for their advocacy. He thanks Danielle McKnight, Mary Prenney, and Kim Manzelli for their efforts.

Representative Jones states it is a great way to end the day for North Reading and congratulates the Town and comments on the great working relationship he sees.

MINUTES

Mrs. Manupelli states the Minutes will be tabled.

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8:16 – PUBLIC HEARING: JUNE AND OCTOBER TOWN MEETING DATES FOR 2020

Mrs. Manupelli reads the Public Hearing notice.

MADAM CHAIR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TOWN OF NORTH READING CHARTER SECTION 2-4-1, I MOVE TO SET THE DATES FOR THE 2020 TOWN MEETINGS AS FOLLOWS:

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2020

MOTION BY: MRS. GONZALEZ
SECONDED BY: MR. SCHULTZ
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

WATER / WASTEWATER PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE – REVIEW / VOTE TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO COMMITTEE CHARGE AND MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Schultz stated the Wastewater project size will be similar to the Secondary School building project; about a 100 Million Dollar project, he suggested a 15 member committee. Mr. Wallner stated 15 seems like too many and that there should be a financial person on the committee; maybe someone from the Capital Improvement Planning Committee. Mr. O’Leary stated getting a quorum might be difficult with 15 members, and the committee can be expanded as the project moves forward. Mrs. Manupelli stated stake holders need to be part of the committee now, not later. Mrs. Manupelli further stated there should be 3-4 people from the business community and a representative from the Chamber of Commerce should be included in the membership. Mr. Schultz stated each Board on the committee can vote on a representative.

MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE TO DISSOLVE THE WATER/WASTEWATER PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE FORMED ON NOVEMBER 15, 2010, AND TO ESTABLISH A NEW COMMITTEE TO BE CALLED THE WASTEWATER PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITH A CHARGE AS STATED IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT DATED JANUARY 23, 2020 AND MEMBERSHIP TO INCLUDE 13 MEMBERS MADE UP OF 2 SELECT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES, 1 COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE, 1 BOARD OF HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE, 1 DPW REPRESENTATIVE, 1 EDC REPRESENTATIVE, 1 CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE, 1 READING/NORTH READING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPRESENTATIVE, 1 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE, AND 4 AT LARGE REPRESENTATIVES. IF ANY STATED GROUP DOES NOT WANT TO PROVIDE A MEMBER, THE SEAT WILL DEFAULT TO AN AT LARGE MEMBER.

MOTION BY: MR. SCHULTZ
SECONDED BY: MRS. GONZALEZ
VOTED: 5-0

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14 CONCORD STREET (SEVEN ACRES TURKEY FARM) – CHAPTER 61A OPTION TO PURCHASE: AND 4 AND 12 CONCORD STREET – REVIEW STATUS

Mr. Gilleberto informed the audience about the status of the option to purchase 14 Concord Street. There are abutting properties at 4 and 12 Concord Street that are under agreement, however the Town's first refusal option is limited to 14 Concord Street. Mr. Gilleberto also reviewed the parties to the pending sale that triggered the Town's option" Mr. Magliozzi is the seller and his attorney is Attorney DiGiulio, Mr. Coviello is the buyer and his Attorney is Attorney Keyes, and the broker for the buyer and seller is James Demetri. Mrs. Manupelli stated the Board has not decided what the use of the property would be at this time.

MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TOWN'S CHAPTER 61A OPTION TO PURCHASE 14 CONCORD STREET ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2020 AT 7:30 P.M.

MOTION BY: MRS. GONZALEZ
SECONDED BY: MR. SCHULTZ

Mr. O'Leary stated it is the Board's intent, after the public hearing, to make a determination to purchase or not to purchase the property. Rita Mullin, 29 Abbott Road, asked the Board if LUC could arrange to see the property to determine if its use could fall into the category of their mission statement. Mr. Gilleberto will reach out to the broker to try to arrange this. Mr. O'Leary stated the Board will be looking for recommendations and input from Boards and Committees to determine potential use of the property.

VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

TOWN-OWNED LAND AT 86 BURROUGHS ROAD, MAP 8, PARCEL 144 – VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED (ANR) PLAN

Mr. Gilleberto states there was a previous request from an abutter to Town Owned Land who is interested in a small portion of this parcel. The Board previously suggested a plan be created to carve out the parcel. The plan has been created but requires signature from the Town as the owner prior to being endorsed by the CPC. He further stated the Conservation Agent approves of the potential sale of this portion parcel.

MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED APPLICATION FOR 86 BURROUGHS ROAD, MAP 8, PARCEL 144.

MOTION BY: MRS. GONZALEZ
SECONDED BY: MR. O'LEARY
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

See Attached. Topics discussed:

Employee Recognition luncheon, citizen volunteers for Boards and Committees, Board of Health’s consideration of possible restrictions to the sale of tobacco or related products, FY2021 budget submissions, potential opportunities for cybersecurity and a potential LED/solar opportunity, preview of the Board’s action of Town Owned Land parcels, replacement of an unmarked police vehicle, and notify of deficit spending of budget for snow and ice.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Mr. O’Leary – No comment.

Mr. Wallner – No comment.

Mr. Schultz – Thanked Vincenzo Stuto, Finance Committee member for pulling papers for the Select Board.

Mrs. Gonzalez – No comment.

Mrs. Manupelli – No comment.

MADAM CHAIR, I MR. SCHULTZ MOVE TO ADJOURN.

SECONDED:	MR. O’LEARY	
VOTED:	MR.O’LEARY	AYE
	MRS. GONZALEZ	AYE
	MR. SCHULTZ	AYE
	MR. WALLNER	AYE
	MRS. MANUPELLI	AYE

VOTE: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

ADJOURN: 9:08

DATE

LIANE R. GONZALEZ, CLERK