

Town of Norfolk
Norfolk Town Board
October 09, 2012

A monthly meeting of the Norfolk Town Board was held on Tuesday, October 09, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Norfolk Town Hall.

Present were Supervisor Charles Pernice, Deputy Supervisor Kevin Enslow, Councilman Donald Purvis, Councilwoman Jean Gang, and Councilman Robert Harvey.

PLEDGE / CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The pledge of allegiance was said by all present and Supervisor Pernice called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the September 10, 2012 Town Board Meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilman Harvey and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor – Carried

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

*Water Project: Supervisor Pernice noted the water project is underway and so far there are no problems.

*Arena Parking: Supervisor Pernice noted that the Highway Department has extended the parking lot at the arena using the gravel from the water project site. A new backstop is being acquired for the ball field and will be moved to accommodate the parking. Supervisor Pernice noted that the ball field has been spun up three times so far this year and that full prosecution will happen when an arrest is made. He noted the situation is frustrating.

*Sewer Project: Town Engineer Aaron Jarvis gave an update on the sewer project. The project will be put out for bid late winter with construction scheduled to begin in the spring.

*Water Project: Town Engineer Aaron Jarvis gave an update on the water project. Work began two weeks ago and it is going well. There was discussion. It is estimated that the new wells will be on line by January 2013.

*Water Project Bills: Town Engineer Aaron Jarvis presented the Board with some vouchers for expenses to date for the water project to approve. They were reviewed by the Board. A motion was made by Councilman Harvey and Supervisor Pernice to approve payment of the General Construction Contract in the amount of \$53, 162.00 and the Engineer's Bill to Tisdale & Associates in the amount of \$8, 250.00. All in Favor – Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none at this time.

REPORTS

*Monthly Police Report: The monthly report of Police Officer in Charge Karla Trimm was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried

Officer in Charge Karla Trimm introduced Corey Francis and recommended that the Board approve hiring him as an officer. Mr. Francis will not ride alone and will work on his own time until completion of his Phase 2 training with the Academy in June of 2013. A motion was made by Councilman Harvey and Councilman Purvis to approve hiring Corey Francis. All in Favor – Carried

Officer Trimm also introduced Lucas Smith and recommended that the Board approve hiring him as an officer. Mr. Smith was sponsored by Norfolk in 2003 for the Academy. He is completely certified and currently working as a corrections officer. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Enslow to approve hiring Lucas Smith. All in Favor – Carried

Officer Trimm stated that her goal as Officer in Charge is to have eight officers on the roster for availability and stability for the Department and still leave room for sponsoring for the Academy. Officer Trimm requested that Officer Dan Holmes be approved as her Assistant in Charge. This was approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Enslow. All in Favor – Carried

*Monthly Court Report: The monthly report of the Norfolk Justice Court was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Harvey. All in Favor – Carried

*Monthly Dog Control Report: The monthly report of Dog Control Officer Matthew Kroeger was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Enslow and Councilman Harvey. All in Favor – Carried

Supervisor Pernice noted that there are more issues with Pit Bulls and other dangerous dogs. There was discussion. Supervisor Pernice also noted that Mr. Kroeger needs to provide a better report and he will speak to him about it.

*Monthly Code Enforcement Report: The monthly report of Code Enforcement Officer Leonard Halpern was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilman Purvis and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor – Carried

*Monthly Town Clerk Report: The monthly report of Town Clerk Kathy Emlaw was reviewed and approved with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Enslow and Councilman Harvey. All in Favor – Carried

*Highway Verbal Report: Highway Superintendent Larry Villnave noted that the Highway Crew will begin working on sidewalks tomorrow. There was discussion. Mr. Villnave also noted that a resident from Yaleville has requested that guard rails be installed near his home. The sharp curve is partially owned by the County. Mr. Villnave noted that used material is \$25.00 per foot. There was discussion. Mr. Villnave will check with the County on it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was not required at this time.

ACTION ITEMS

*Budget Work Sessions: Supervisor Pernice asked the Board Members when they will be available for two budget work sessions. They were scheduled on Tuesday, October 23rd and Tuesday, October 30th at 6:00 PM.

*Resolution #21 to oppose the redistribution of sales tax monies: The Board reviewed this resolution and there was discussion. A motion was made to adopt Resolution #21 by Deputy Supervisor Enslow and Councilman Harvey.
All in Favor – Carried

*Resolution #22 to support the increase of the County sales tax by one percent: The Board reviewed this resolution and there was discussion. A motion was made to adopt Resolution #22 by Councilman Purvis and Councilwoman Gang.
All in Favor – Carried

*Resolution #23: To approve the Winter Maintenance Agreement for the County Road System: The Board reviewed this resolution and there was discussion. Highway Superintendent Larry Villnave stated that he approved the agreement. A motion was made to adopt Resolution #23 by Deputy Supervisor Enslow and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor – Carried

*Local Law #1 of 2012: To Establish a Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-C. This law was presented to the Board for review. There was discussion on the benefits of adopting it. A Public Hearing was set for Tuesday October 23rd, at 7:00 PM.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

*Councilman Purvis brought up discussion on the Adams Road railroad crossing. He noted that it is getting worse and is very dangerous. Highway Superintendent Larry Villnave will look into it.

*Councilman Purvis also brought up discussion on the storm drains needing repair on West Main Street. Highway Superintendent Larry Villnave noted that he has spoken with the County and they are going to come soon to fix the catch basins before winter.

*Councilman Harvey noted that there are some problem areas in Norfolk with zoning and code issues. He feels that the Town shouldn't have to wait for residents to complain. The Code Enforcement Officer should check the problem areas more frequently.

*Deputy Supervisor Enslow thanked Highway Superintendent Larry Villnave and the Highway Crew for all of their help with recreation.

*Supervisor Pernice noted that he has spoken with Kevin Smith about filling a vacancy on the Zoning Board. Mr. Smith is interested. There was discussion. A motion was made by Supervisor Pernice and Councilwoman Gang to appoint Kevin Smith to the Zoning Board to replace the vacancy created by the resignation of Randy Wagstaff. All in Favor – Carried

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Bills #160 – 174 in the amount of \$97,138.35 for the Highway Abstract and bills in the amount of \$105,730.98 for the Regular Abstract were approved for payment with a motion by Councilman Harvey and Supervisor Pernice. All in Favor – Carried

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Councilman Harvey and Deputy Supervisor Enslow. All in Favor – Carried

Supervisor – Charles Pernice
Deputy Supervisor – Kevin Enslow
Councilman – Donald Purvis
Councilwoman – Jean Gang
Councilman – Robert Harvey

Dated: October 09, 2012
Kathy M. Emlaw – Norfolk Town Clerk