

**Newport Selectboard**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
From 10/5/16

**Present:**

R. Davis  
K. Russell  
T. Breitweg  
J. Carson  
D. Franklin

**1. Call to Order**

a. Pledge of Allegiance

**2. Public Access:**

Dana Hartford was in attendance and wished to discuss any updates concerning sewer coming to Rt. 7. T. Breitweg provided the previous meeting minutes as Dana Hartford expressed his frustrations towards two unsuccessful attempts to get the sewer proposal passed. He expressed concern that if the sewer is not put in that the potential for any future commercial business would be limited, possibly non-existent. He requests that thoughts be given to trying something without the schools involvement in order to get the sewer approved.

**Approval of minutes from meeting 9/21/16** K. Russell / J. Carson, unanimous

**Communications:**

**Work underway for the Gazebo relocation:** Town crew has been working on the slab for the relocation into the Riverwalk. Once slab is made ready we will again hire Ezra Troyer to move the gazebo to its new home. The new location allows for adequate and will provide electrical outlets for outdoor activities.

**RSU Update:** Plan is to hold election the same day as the national election. A clerk had questioned whether there would be enough time for the towns to get everything ready or be enough notice for the residents, even questioned if it was legal. An attorney got involved and answered that it is in fact legal and would fall within guidelines to be held same day as the national election on November 8th. In order to accommodate two weeks for absentee ballots they may be moving their next referendum meeting which will be held October 19th, same night as the next selectboard meeting.

**Review of August Reconciliation Reports:** Deanna Thompson opened with any questions from the selectboard members, no questions.

**2016 Drawdown Review:** Discussion about whether voting took place last meeting or not, agreed that the board came to a consensus about waiting until November. Maxine Pare was in attendance and provided overview of the drawdown status as of tonight; one flashboard is open, the fish ladder is open and the gate is still closed. J. Carson talks about opening gate and creating a current to draw the remaining fish out. Flashboards were to be opened first and reaccess in few weeks time.

**Public Hearing: Liquor license renewal c/o Newport Entertainment Center** No comment at Public Hearing, motion by D. Franklin second by K. Russell, unanimous to approve.

**Warrant:** K. Russell/ T. Breitweg motioned. D. Franklin had a couple questions regarding lights at tennis court, breakdown lumber and labor and RA Paradis who cleared and smoothed out the dirt piles in the cemetery. K. Russell made comment that the toilet streetside of the boat landing is not flushing/working right.

**Adjourn:** K. Russell / J. Carson, unanimous

Respectfull submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hannah Turgeon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hannah Turgeon  
Town Clerk