

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES – December 14, 2021**

6:00 p.m. - Chairman's Introduction to Remote Meeting

Chairman Perreault stated that this Open Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of June 16, 2021, an Act Relative to Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency and that all members of the Board of Selectmen are allowed and encouraged to participate remotely.

Chairman Perreault noted that the Order allows public bodies to meet entirely remotely so long as reasonable public access is afforded so that the public can follow along with the deliberations of the meeting. He added that ensuring public access does not ensure public participation unless such participation is required by law. There will be no public comment this evening. He indicated the various ways that the public may view this meeting as listed on the posted agenda.

Chairman Perreault confirmed that the following members and persons anticipated on the agenda were remotely present and could be heard.

Board of Selectmen

Jason Perreault, Chair
Leslie Rutan
T. Scott Rogers
Julianne Hirsh

Others

John Coderre, Town Administrator
Rebecca Meekins, Assistant Town Administrator
Andrew Dowd, Town Clerk

Meeting Business Ground Rules

Chairman Perreault covered the ground rules for effective and clear conduct of the business. He asked members of the Board to mute their phone or computer when not speaking and to speak clearly and in a way that helps generate accurate meeting minutes. He will go through the items on the agenda. Following presentations, Board members will be offered an opportunity to speak, followed by staff members answering any questions, if necessary. Those responding will be asked to wait until the floor is yielded to them. Members were asked if they wish to respond to the comments of others, to do so through the Chair, taking care to identify themselves.

The vote taken this evening will be done by roll call to ensure that the records of the vote are clear and accurate to the members attending the meeting remotely.

6:00 p.m. - ANDREW DOWD- TOWN CLERK

Approval of Northborough's revised Voting Precinct Map.

Mr. Dowd noted that the Board of Selectmen approved the 2020 Re-Precincting Plan for the Town of Northborough at their meeting on November 8, 2020. He was notified this past Friday by the State Elections Division that prior to its final approval that day, Local Election District Review Commission (LEDRC) staff discovered a sliver of the State Representative District crossed into the adjacent precinct. This would have resulted in 27 residents in that precinct being in a different Representative District, which would create a sub-precinct. Fortunately, staff at the Elections Division were able to redraw the precinct lines to correct this issue. However, it does require the Board to formally vote to accept the revised 2020 Re-Precincting Plan.

Selectman Rutan moved the Board vote to accept the revised 2020 Re-Precincting Plan for the Town of Northborough as presented by the Town Clerk; Selectman Hirsh seconded the motion; the roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hirsh	“aye”	Rutan	“aye”
Rogers	“aye”	Perreault	“aye”

ADJOURNMENT

Selectman Rogers moved the Board vote to adjourn; Selectman Rutan seconded the motion; the roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hirsh	“aye”	Rutan	“aye”
Rogers	“aye”	Perreault	“aye”

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane M. Wackell
Executive Assistant to the
Board of Selectmen

Documents used during meeting:

1. December 14, 2021 Meeting Agenda
2. Information Packet – Revised Voting Precinct Map