

**DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of a School Committee Workshop**  
Monday, July 19, 2021

**APPROVED**

8-16-21

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee workshop was held on Monday, July 19, 2021, at the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School Library in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

Members Present: Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; Phillip Morris, Treasurer; Jennifer Rose, Secretary (arrived 6:00 p.m.); Joe Glynn; Tomas Tolentino; and Marilyn Bemis (arrived 6:00 p.m.).

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Maria Lopes, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services and Instruction; Luanne Kiley, Substitute Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Andy Waugh, Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehan.

At 5:45 p.m., Jeni Landers, Chairperson, called the workshop meeting to order.

**Reports**

Superintendent's Report – Carol Woodbury

Recommendation by PMA – Traffic Analysis Report

The superintendent reported that PMA is recommending a second traffic analysis study as it relates to the new Dennis-Yarmouth Intermediate Middle School on Station Avenue; focusing specifically on the area from the Route 6 entrance/exit ramps to Long Pond Road. It is felt that this will be helpful and necessary as we move forward with the school building project. The cost of the report is an extra \$2,420.

On a motion by Phil Morris, seconded by Joe Glynn, and carried 5-0 it was

VOTED: To approve the traffic analysis study as recommended by PMA.

**School Committee Business**

Consent Agenda:

On a motion by Joe Glynn, seconded by Tomas Tolentino, and carried unanimously 7-0, it was

VOTED: To approve the following items as presented in the Consent Agenda:

**Surplus**

Move to declare as surplus “weeded” library books at Station Avenue Elementary School as per Mr. Crowell's July 8, 2021 memo.

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**Bills, Requisitions, and Payroll**

Bills, requisitions, and payroll were signed by the School Committee.

**Calendar**

The upcoming calendar was included in the packet.

**Items Distributed at the Meeting**

Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee  
Workshop on Legal Issues

**Mr. Andrew Waugh  
Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehane**

**Workshop on Legal Issues**

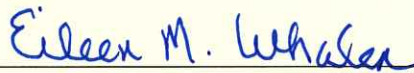
Mr. Andy Waugh of Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehane presented to the Committee on legal issues facing school committees. Among the highlights were the Open Meeting Law; texting and email as well as Facebook posts and tweets are all subject to the Public Records Law. Be mindful not to discuss school committee business with other members other than in school committee meetings. Deliberation by a quorum of a public body taking place outside of a lawfully posted meeting has the potential to be viewed as a violation of the Law. Public comment during school committee meetings should be about 15 minutes in length with 3 minutes allotted per person.

**Adjournment**

At 7:30 p.m., on a motion by Joseph Tierney, seconded by Tomas Tolentino, and carried unanimously 7-0 it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded and prepared by,



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Luanne Kiley, Substitute for  
Eileen M. Whalen, Assistant Secretary