Town of Norwell
2023 Select Board Focus Areas – updated 9/26/23

Priority Focus Areas:

Town Government/Charter/Bylaws:

1. **Consider re-forming Government Study Committee for some bylaw changes. 10 year review and assessment of Town Charter.**   Contact Town Moderator Matt Greene for next steps/discussion

2. **Propose a Town Charter amendment to change the Highway/Tree & Grounds Supervisor positions to DPW Manager - appointed vs elected, effective on date of Glenn Ferguson's retirement.** Government Study Committee task?

3. **Implement a new reappointment policy for Town Boards and Committees -** Greenberg

4. **Work with the Planning Board on other zoning strategies to give property owners flexibility to monetize their property without resorting to hostile 40b projects**. Greenberg/Planning Board

Finance/Capital Planning:

5. **Create an inventory of all Town owned property. Work with Director of Planning to consider properties that could be part of the Select Board's affordable housing strategy. Reuse, reallocate or dispose (sell or donate) Town owned non-productive assets. –** Greenberg

Technology:

6. **Research and implement additional technology to create a more efficient business relationship with Town residents – *Social Media policy -*** *Brown*
7. **Complete revamp of town website and estimated cost -** *Both of these are related – in progress, Brown, Graham, Sullivan, Roy*

Long Term Focus Areas:

8. *Create a Town Administrator & Department head annual review template. Draft: Brown, Reardon*

9. *Expansion of the Senior Work program, and removal of the income requirement – agenda discussion*

10. *Exploration of the Rte 53 corridor for potential zoning enhancements for business – see prior years' projects - Smellie*

11. *Exploration of Town Center for potential zoning enhancements for business – see prior years' projects and Warrants - Smellie*

12. *Review of capital purchase proposals (vendor, maintenance costs, taxpayer impact, etc.) before Select Board approval vote.*