Draft Minutes Norwich Board of Civil Authority July 14, 2015

Members Present: JP's: Campbell, Dean, Dixon-Vestral, Donohue, Fowler, Gray, Johnson and Rotman; Selectboard: Flanders and Layton; Town Clerk: Munday.

The meeting was called to order by Munday at 7:05.

The first order of business is to elect a Chairman for the Board of Civil Authority.

A Motion made by Gray, seconded by Rotman, to nominate Nancy Dean to be the chairman to BCA for this year.

Motion passed with 10 yes and 1 abstention.

Dean then took the Chairman position and ran the rest of the meeting.

The second order of business is to elect a Vice Chairman for the Board of Civil Authority.

A motion made by Flanders, seconded by Donohue, to nominate Arline Rotman to be vice chairman to the BCA for this year.

Motion passed with 10 yes and 1 abstention.

Flanders moved that the Chairman and Vice Chairman also be Chairman and Vice Chairman to the Board of Civil Authority.

- 1. The next order of business is to adopt the Rules of Procedure for the 2015 Tax Appeals. After general discussion it was decided to change item 9 to read: Three business days prior to the hearing, an appellant shall submit to the Town Clerk 3 paper copies of the appeal, which the Town Clerk shall then promptly provide to each BCA member, either in paper or digital form.
- 2. Also to move item 12 to the end of the document and to bold and box it: Valuation decisions of the Board of Listers enjoy a presumption of correctness in proceedings conducted under these rules and, accordingly, an appellant shall have the burden of persuasion at hearing.

A motion was made to accept the changes to the Rules of Procedure. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion made by Rotman seconded by Flanders to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie J. Munday Norwich Town Clerk