

Candidate's Information

Name: Peter W Smellie Seeking office of: Select Board

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Experience: (including educational, professional, experiential)

Norwell High School Graduate, Class of '95

- B.S. in Political Science from Northeastern University

- Finance Committee for Corner Stone Lodge AF & AM, Duxbury, MA, 2 Years
- Capital Budget Committee, Town of Norwell, 3 Years (2 as Chair)
- Advisory Board (currently serving), Town of Norwell, 3 Years (2 as Chair)
- I've worked in the insurance industry for the past 15 years helping people analyze risks and finding the right solutions within their budget; that same approach has aided me in my time on the Capital Budget Committee and Advisory Board, and will do the same if elected to the Select Board

Major issues confronting our town today:

- There are 5 major issues facing the Town right now
 - 40B's and the threat of how to stave off additional projects
 - Ever escalating Property Taxes
 - Senior Tax Relief
 - Trust in Town leadership and Boards
 - Lack of efficiency in town government

I am running for the office of Select Board because:

- As a lifelong, and 3rd generation Norwellian, I care very deeply for this town and would like my daughters to be able to live here in the future.
- Because of my 6 years of experience on Town Boards and Committees, plus a lifetime
 of town meetings I feel I'm the most prepared to tackle the major issues I've identified
 above
- I have great working relationships with most major departments in towns
- I have a plan to solve the 40B issue, which doesn't involve large scale town produced 40B projects
- I have a 2 stage plan to bring real relief to our seniors, so they can stay in the homes they've invested a lifetime of memories and income into
- I plan to bring back trust in our leadership and be open to listening to resident's ideas, even if they are counter to something the Board has put time and effort into
- Lastly, I plan to bring efficiency to town government and make it easy for residents to navigate their way through anything from potential home projects to disputing a bill