

**NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF March 1, 2011**

Present: Sel. Bluhm, Sel. Knowlton, Sel. Ziminsky
Also Present Bob Abbot, Kevin Waldron, Christine Raffaely, Amy Desrochers, Rachael Cody,
Tom Jordan, Maureen Bouchet, Cindy Caveney, Chief Adams, Bob Southworth,
Glenn Smith.

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

1. Public Appointments

Kevin Waldron asked about the recent breakdown of the F550. Bob reported that it was at Irwin Motors being analyzed and looks like a transmission issue. Bob reviewed the problems that developed in the vehicle over the last few days. Bob Abbot, representing Irwin Motors outlined repair plan. He assured the Board that the work is covered under warrantee and will not cost the town a dime. He does not see this to be a reoccurring issue.

2. Highway Department

Bob Southworth updated the board on a repair issue with the Loader. He reported that he received two access permits from Amerigas. Discussion followed. Board members asked Bob to coordinate with the Planning Board on this.

Bob discussed Amnesty Week options with the Board. His preference would be to hold two 3 day events, one from April 28-30 and another from Sept. 22-24 rather than one 7 day event in the spring. Board members discussed this and decided to mention this at town meeting to gauge people's thoughts.

Board members reviewed the proposed update to Highway Ordinance. Under old ordinance pushing snow across the road was not allowed. The intent of the update is to modify this so that pushing snow across the road is allowed as long as the snow is not deposited on the road, right of way, sidewalk or drainage ditch or creates a hazard. The proposed update also specifies that these regulations apply to materials other than snow. After discussion, the Board revised the title of Article III to reflect the broader scope of the new language in that article. **Ziminsky/Knowlton** moved to approve the proposed revision to the Highway Ordinance as amended and repeal the 1993 Ordinance relating to the Placement of Snow on Roads. **Motion passed.**

3. Police Department

Chief Adams reported that the Highway Safety Committee met today and reviewed grant applications. Sel. Ziminsky noted that he thought the Committee was meeting to prepare a grant application for a camera for the 4x4. Chief Adams noted that he thought the JAG grant could not be used to fund 50% of this purchase. After discussion Board members directed that a Highway Safety Grant program application will be filed to purchase camera for 4x4 at a total cost of \$3,000, 50% match to be provided by the town.

4. Town Administration

Glenn reviewed the most recent information from CCS concerning the Technology Services Agreement. Ziminsky/Knowlton moved to authorize Glenn to sign the Technology Services Agreement after it had been modified to reflect the proposed adjustments concerning documenting system elements and pricing.

Board members discussed attendance at polls by a Selectboard member as required by RSA.

Cindy Caveney presented a proposed contract for deed research services. **Ziminsky/Knowlton** moved to authorize Chair to sign the contract on behalf of the Town as presented. **Motion passed.**

Glenn updated the Board on the recent meeting with WRSD, TNFD, TNWD and the Town of Tilton concerning the underground storage tank located next to the town garage. After discussion, Board members directed Glenn to put this on a future agenda.

5. General Business

Board members reviewed general correspondence and payroll and accounts payable manifests. **Knowlton/Ziminsky** moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 22, 2011. **Motion passed.**

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

APPROVED BY THE NORTHFIELD SELECTBOARD ON MARCH 23, 2011