

**NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF January 25, 2011**

Present: Sel. Bluhm, Sel. Knowlton, Sel. Ziminsky
Also Present Ed Green, Brian Brown, Donna Rhodes, Sally Robert, Kevin Waldron, Bob Southworth, Chief Adams, Glenn Smith.

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm

1. Highway Department

Bob updated the Board on his department's response to recent storms. There is a slight problem in keeping enough sand on site for the storms and Bob would like to utilize the on-call driver to haul sand. The Board approved.

Bob presented two purchase requests, for carbide edges and chains for the Peterbuilt trucks. One was for over \$1,000 and Board members instructed Bob to obtain three bids for this. Board members approved the requisition for the amount of the lowest written bid.

Board members discussed purchasing uniforms for Highway workers. In general Board members were in favor of requiring Highway workers to buy uniforms. Topics discussed included paying for uniform cleaning; to what degree the cost should be divided between employees and the town and liability related to uniform wear and tear. Board members decided to keep reviewing this proposal as nothing can be done until after town meeting.

Board members discussed the possibility of establishing weight limits on town roads. Bob and Glenn will review the ordinances from other towns and develop a proposed ordinance for Northfield.

2. Police Department

Chief Adams updated the Board on the recent incident in which a snowmobile trail groomer went through the ice at Sandogardy Pond.

Board members reviewed issues related to the purchase of a copier for the Police Department **Ziminsky/Knowlton** moved to purchase the Sharp copier as bid on 1/21/11 at a cost of \$3,750. **Motion passed.**

3. Town Administration

Board members reviewed the proposed contract for cleaning 250 Concord Road and decided not to move forward with this at this time for liability reasons.

Board members reviewed and approved the Annual Report of the Selectboard prepared by Sel. Ziminsky and modified by the Board.

Board members reviewed the proposals for fire alarm testing at town hall **Ziminsky/Knowlton**

moved to authorize Glenn to sign the proposal of 123 Lock-Key and Security on the condition that the proposal be modified to specify that all devices would be tested. **Motion passed.**

Board members reviewed the proposed RFP for computer services and authorized its distribution as amended by Sel. Knowlton.

Glenn updated the Board on the review of LRMFA funding by the Budget Committee and status of the Winnepesaukee River Trail phase II.

4. General Business

Board members reviewed general correspondence and payroll & accounts payable manifests. **Ziminsky/Knowlton** moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 20, 2011 as amended. **Motion passed.**

5. Public Appointments

Sally Robert inquired as to the status of Bay Hill Road, saying she is concerned that the roadside is deteriorating in the vicinity of 68 Bay Hill road and that people may go over the edge of the embankment. Bob will look into this in the spring.

6. Non-public session *RSA 91A-3a*

Ziminsky/Knowlton moved to enter into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A3II c at 7:55pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.** Present at the non-public session were Chief Adams, Glenn Smith. **Ziminsky/Knowlton** moved that the non-public session minutes be sealed. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.** **Knowlton/Ziminsky** moved to reconvene the public session at 8:35pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm

APPROVED BY THE NORTHFIELD SELECTBOARD ON FEBRUARY 1, 2011