



# TOWN OF NORTHFIELD



21 Summer Street, Northfield, New Hampshire 03276  
Tel. 603-286-7039 Fax 603-286-3328  
www.northfieldnh.org

## NORTHFIELD BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes of the meeting of Thursday, January 15, 2015

Present: George Corliss, Dennis Allen, Jared Hebert, Lisa Swancott, Leif Martinson, Keith Murray, Kevin Waldron

Also Present: Chief Raffaely, Mike Hutchinson, Adam Seligman, Gretchen Wilder, Bill Wilder, Glenn Smith

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm

Committee members reviewed the 2015 Police Department budget request with Chief Raffaely.

**Murray/Swancott** moved to reduce the postage account request to \$500. **Motion passed.**

Committee members reviewed gasoline usage and gasoline prices. **Allen/Swancott** moved to reduce the gasoline account request to \$22,000. **Motion passed.**

**Waldron/Martinson** moved to reduce the health insurance account request to \$165,236. **Motion passed.**

Chief Raffaely asked that \$3,000 be added to the building maintenance account to allow for the installation of doors on the booking room and the corridor leading to the booking room. He also discussed the purchase of cameras under the police operating grant program.

**Murray/Waldron** moved to increase the building maintenance account to \$6,000. **Motion passed.**

**Swancott/Martinson** moved to increase the Police operating grant amount by \$10,800 **Motion passed.**

**Swancott/Murray** moved to reduce the new equipment request to \$2,100 **Motion passed.**

**Swancott/Murray** moved to increase police grant revenue account by \$5,400. **Motion passed.**

Committee members discussed the animal control contracts with Chief Raffaely, including how many calls for service the animal control officer responds to each month. Chief Raffaely was asked to provide this information at a later meeting.

On behalf of Chief Raffaely, Sgt. Hutchinson and Officer Seligman asked the Budget Committee to add \$35,000 to the police department budget to allow for a live dispatch system in the department's vehicles. It was decided to revisit this at a later meeting.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm