

NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Minutes of the meeting of January 13, 2015

Present: Sel. Shepard, Sel. Crowley, Sel. Waldron
Also Present: Chief Raffaelly, Johnny Van Tassel, Glenn Smith

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

1. Highway Department

Highway Superintendent Johnny Van Tassel updated the Board on changes to transfer station certification standards. He also reported that there is no regulatory requirement that two people staff the transfer station although he believes that this staffing level is necessary. Board members discussed transfer station staffing and asked Johnny to work with Sel. Waldron to develop a options for a staffing scenario that provides for one person assigned there full time and another assigned there part time.

Johnny reported on his department's response to recent storms. The only issue arising was the need to replace chains in two of the spreaders.

2. Police Department

Chief Raffaelly asked for authorization to begin recruiting to fill the existing police officer vacancy, which Board members granted. He also asked the Board to grant a waiver to its policy relating to what is published in the town electronic newsletter to allow for advertising meetings of the group Families Sharing Without Shame, which Board members granted, saying the advertisement should run monthly from now on.

3. Administration

Selectmen reviewed and approved their report for inclusion in the town annual report. They also reviewed the proposed amendments to Class VI and Private Road Policy and asked Town Administrator Glenn Smith to bring a revised copy to the next meeting.

Board members reviewed a quote from an electricity provider and opted not to approve a contract at this time out of concern for market conditions. They also reviewed and approved a letter to DES Commissioner Burak seeking a change in the regulation identifying the town as a used oil marketer.

Board members reviewed a draft of the annual warrant. They also reviewed draft annual evaluation forms and asked Glenn to make certain revisions, signed a deed for the recent sale of a tax deeded property and authorized purchase of a Boston Post Cane.

Sel. Waldron inquired as to the status of the Highway Department collecting used oil for burning. After discussion Board members authorized Johnny to start collecting this oil.

Glenn was asked to contact Mark Morrill to determine if the town could plow the area next to the exit 19 off-ramp that is used as a park and ride.

4. General Business

Board members reviewed accounts payable, payroll manifests and general correspondence. **Shepard/Crowley** moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 6, 2015. **Motion passed.** **Shepard/Crowley** moved to approve the non-public minutes of the meeting of January 6, 2015. **Motion passed.**

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 9:28pm

APPROVED BY THE NORTHFIELD SELECTMEN ON JANUARY 19, 2015