

NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
NON-PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

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DATE: September 29, 2020

Motion made by Sel. Waldron seconded by Sel. Haskins to enter non- public session under the provisions of RSA 91A-3 II:

- X (a) The dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.
- (b) The hiring of any person as a public employee.
- (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the body or agency itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. *This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.*
- (d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.
- (e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against the body or agency or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof because of his or her membership in such body or agency, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled. *Any application filed for tax abatement, pursuant to law, with any body or board shall not constitute a threatened or filed litigation against any body, board, or agency for the purposes of this subparagraph.*
- (h) Consideration of applications by the business finance authority under RSA 162-A:7-10 and 162-A:13, where consideration of an application in public session would cause harm to the applicant or would inhibit full discussion of the application.
- (i) Consideration of matters relating to the preparation for and the carrying out of emergency functions, including training to carry out such functions, developed by local or state safety officials that are directly intended to thwart a deliberate act that is intended to result in widespread or severe damage to property or widespread injury or loss of life.
- (j) Consideration of confidential, commercial, or financial information that is exempt from public disclosure under RSA 91-A:5, IV in an adjudicative proceeding pursuant to RSA 541 or RSA 541-A.
- (l) Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Brown

Yes	No

Haskins

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Yes	No

Waldron

X	
Yes	No

THE BOARD ENTERED NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 6:15 pm

OTHERS PRESENT DURING NON-PUBLIC SESSION: Ken Robichaud, Jason Durgin

SUBJECT MATTER DISCUSSED AND DECISIONS MADE:

Code Enforcement Officer Jason Durgin discussed with the selectmen that he as the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO)/Health Officer (H/O) is not working for him. Jason stated that he is too busy to handle the calls. He would like to split out the position and have a separate Health Officer, H/O. Jason stated that he approached the Town Administrator about this and discussed it with him. The T/A told him that the State is relying on the Health Officer to handle all Covid Epidemic issues in their respective town. Jason stated that he doesn't know much about Covid and his beliefs are not in line with the states response to Covid. Jason stated that if there was a separate H/O this person could be his assistant and take the calls and respond to all Code Enforcement Officer, (CEO) calls, Building Inspector (B/I) calls and H/O calls, if that person needs assistance then they would call Jason. Selectmen Waldron and Haskins both stated that they would look at splitting up the position and would ask the T/A to do research and get back to them. Selectman Haskins ascertained from Jason if they split up the position they would probably reduce his salary, Jason responded that they could look at that, but he already doesn't make that much money now. Selectman Waldron stated that maybe we could partner up with another town and split the person. We would also have to look at the budget and find the funds to this. All options were discussed. It was left that the T/A would research and get back to the Selectmen ASAP on a Job Description, salary and which towns have separate CEO, H/O and B/I.

Motion made by Sel. Waldron seconded by Sel. Haskins to reconvene the public session at 7:15 pm Motion Passed.

Minutes recorded by Ken Robichaud