

NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Meeting minutes of January 29, 2019

Present: Sel. Crowley, Sel. Haskins, Sel. Brown

Also Present: Chief John Raffaelli, Andy Buteau, Stephanie Giovannucci

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm

Michael Hutchinson, Police Sergeant was sworn in as Lieutenant by Cindy Caveney, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

1. Public Input

Amy Robillard appeared before the Board showing interest in being on the Planning Board and/or Zoning Board. The Board discussed the opening with Amy. Crowley/Brown moved to appoint Amy Robillard to the Planning Board as a full member. Motion Passed.

Kevin Fife asked the Board to change the Ordinance for Sotir Conservation Area to include the Conservation Commission in the tree cutting. The Board agreed that they would add to the Sotir and Knowles Pond Conservation Ordinance Notification provided to the Conservation Commission. The Board will review the updated wording and act on it at the next Selectboard meeting.

2. Public Works

Primex submitted a Fire Safety Audit Checklist for the garage. The Board asked Giovannucci to reach out to Primex and ask if we implement their recommendations, how will this affect our insurance rate, and if they are going to pay for the cost to do the upgrades since our insurance covered the fire and this is an extension of the fire.

Buteau asked if the Board wants Public Works to put material on the Arch Hill roadway. The Board discussed the status of that road/driveway/right-of-way. They asked Giovannucci to contact the Carriage House, and to find out the status that roadway.

3. Police Department

The Board discussed with the Chief the Police Metrics report, the Chief explained they only have control over traffic stops.

Chief asked when the Board is expecting employee reviews, the Board agreed after Town Meeting.

The Board signed the Personnel Action Report changing Michael Hutchinson's job title and pay.

4. Administration

Board members reviewed the Sandogardy Pond Road Recon Project and the amount due from the state. Giovannucci will be submitting an invoice to the state.

Board members reviewed and discussed the 2019 Proposed Budget, and noted that the Public Hearing is February 7, 2019 at 7:30pm.

Board members reviewed and discussed the 2019 Proposed Warrant Article, they agreed to remove Article 10, change Article 11 to the wording provided by DRA, and remove Article 12. Board members discussed the switching of the Warrant Articles 2 and 3, and felt there was no need to switch them around.

Giovannucci submitted a quote for a conference phone to use during meeting. The Board agreed to review this again at another time.

Board members reviewed two pieces to property the town took for taxes in 2018, stating the properties are both located on a class 6 road. The options they have to get rid of it are auction, open market, or hold it for 3 years. The Board discussed the three options, and decided to wait another week or so to make a final decision.

Crowley/Haskins moved to accept the minutes of January 15, 2019 as written and modified.
Motion Passed.

Crowley/Brown moved to enter into non-public session under the provisions of RSA91-A3IIa at 6:31pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.** Also Present: John Raffaelly, Andy Buteau and Stephanie Giovannucci. **Crowley/Brown** moved to reconvene the public session at 7:15pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

Crowley/Haskins moved to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session as divulgence could adversely affect the reputation of a person not on the Board. **Motion passed.**

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 7:17pm

Minutes approved February 5, 2019