



NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2024

Present: Selectman Jason Durgin, Selectman Mark Hubbell, Selectman Ross Cunningham

Town Staff Present: Town Administrator Stephanie Giovannucci, Interim Public Works Director Adam Dow, and Police Chief Jesse Colby.

Sel. Durgin opened the public meeting at 4:00 pm.

Public Input

Helen Hardenburgh stated that Chief Colby did a nice job on his monthly report and she gave TA Giovannucci a few minor corrections on the Warrant and Selectboard report for the Annual Report.

Police Department

Chief Colby stated that they received the tasers. He added that they had an air quality test done and did 5 samples and it was determined that mold was not an issue. The full report was distributed to the Board.

Public Works

Adam Dow, Interim Public Works Director stated that the 2024 truck has arrived and just needs to have the radio installed. He added that the 2015 truck the motor blew and Mechanic Wickens is working on it when he gets back.

IPW Dow spoke to the board about the 1996 grader which has 6600 hours on and stated that it's getting tired. Sel. Hubbell stated that we could get good money for the old unit to put towards a new one. Sel. Durgin stated he just saw the same machine sell for \$22k. Mr. Dow received a quote for a new one which comes in at \$400k, and they will take ours for a trade.

IPW Dow stated that there were questions at the Budget Committee meeting regarding their usage of sand and salt, and that he has supplied Sel. Hubbell with the information for their next meeting. Mr. Hubbell stated that mainly Carl Bartlett asked about the usage of sale and he wanted to have actual numbers for him.

Administration

TA Giovannucci asked the Board to review the Warrant Articles. Board reviewed the annual report and asked Mrs. Giovannucci to add a paragraph regarding the fact that Comcast will be coming to Northfield.

New Business - None

Unfinished Business – TA Giovannucci is working on the Curbside parameters for the smaller cans.

Other Business

Sel. Durgin stated that at the Planning Board meeting, they met with Beth Keck who would like to be the Northfield Rep on Lakes Region Planning Commission. The Planning Board feels she will be a great asset. TA Giovannucci stated that she would be taking over Wayne Crowley's place.

Cunningham/Durgin moved to appoint Beth Keck as a representative for Northfield to the Lakes Region Planning Commission. Motion Passed. Sel. Hubbell abstained as he does not know her.

Minutes

Hubbell/Cunningham moved to approve the minutes of January 30, 2024. **Motion Passed.**

Public Input

Scott McGuffin asked why we are not using the Pines Community Center or Southwick School. Sel. Durgin stated that he likes having the meeting at the rec center, but parking has been an issue and feels our sound system doesn't work well at Southwick School. Mr. McGuffin stated that he prefers it being in a building that the tax payers pay for.

Board agrees to try out Compass Classical this year.

Sel. Durgin recessed the meeting at 4:35pm.

Sel. Durgin reopened the meeting at 4:51pm

Non-Public Session

Durgin/Cunningham moved to go into Non-Public Session at 4:52 pm under NH RSA 91a;3-11 (A), (C), (L). Roll Call Vote – Sel. Hubbell – Yes, Sel. Durgin – Yes **Motion Passed.**

Durgin reconvened the public session at 5:17 pm.

Durgin/Cunningham moved to seal the minutes of the non-public session because divulgence of the information likely would adversely affect the reputation of any person other than a member of the board or render the proposed action of the board ineffective. Roll call vote, Sel. Hubbell – Yes, Sel. Durgin - Yes. **Motion Passed minutes are hereby sealed.**

There being no other business, Sel. Durgin adjourned the meeting at 5:17 pm

Minutes approved March 5, 2024