

NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes May 7, 2019

Present: Sel. Wayne Crowley, Sel. Glen Brown, Sel. Scott Haskins
Also Present: Chief John Raffaelly, Andy Buteau, Stephanie Giovannucci, Tim Rose,
Robert Southworth, Robert Murdoch, Paul Blaisdell

Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm

Public Input

Robert Southworth of Rand Rd presented the Board with examples of Class VI Road Ordinances due to the damage done on Polly Ham Rd recently. Southworth asked the Board to consider passing an ordinance to restrict usage of motorized vehicles during a certain time of year. Tim Rose asked Chief John Raffaelly if anyone was charged with the damage to the road, Chief Raffaelly stated at the time he was on the road he did not see any damage and no one was at the car.

Board members agreed that they would look into the ordinance.

Robert Murdoch of Sandogardy Pond Rd informed the Board that the beavers are still an issue. Andy Buteau stated that the dams are only a foot high and he does not have the man power or the time to keep visiting the brook and breaking down dams. Board agreed to look into trappers.

Paul Blaisdell of Peverly Rd explained to the Board of some issues he encountered at the Transfer Station when trying to recycle cardboard. Andy Buteau stated he would talk to the Transfer Station crew. Blaisdell asked the Board how many vehicles are allowed in a yard that are unregistered/uninspected, Chief Raffaelly confirmed two.

Public Hearing 6:00pm

Sel. Crowley opened the Public Hearing for the proposed changes to the Richard P Smart Conservation Area Ordinance. With no comments from the public, public input was closed.

Crowley/Brown moved to approve the Ordinance Regulating the Use of the Richard P Smart Conservation Area and Access to Said Area From Town Property and Highways as presented. **Motion Passed.**

Public Works Department

Andy Buteau, Public Works Director discussed with the Board the issues of getting rid of cardboard and mixed paper since the cost per ton has risen substantially. Sel. Crowley stated he would like to call NRRA and get a better understanding of this issue. Sel. Crowley informed Andy and the Board that Lakes Region Planning Commission is working on a possible mobile glass crusher that can move town to town.

Andy informed the Board that there are about a half a dozen driveway culverts that need to be replaced, and more people calling every day. Andy stated that he does not have the time to continue this way since they have roads to attend to. Board members agreed to continue the way Andy has been processing culverts, but implement an application process. Andy added that all of the culverts on Diana Rd need to be replaced, Board members agreed that each property owner needs to pay for the culvert and the crew will install them if Andy feels he has time to do this project.

Sel. Crowley stated that he would like to implement a one page document that informs property owners what their responsibilities are, such as driveway culverts, trees, mailboxes, etc. Board members agreed.

Board reviewed the mailbox placement policy.

Andy updated the Board on the condition of the Shaker Rd culvert and that the section from Rt. 140 to the boat launch is still posted at six ton. The steel plate should be installed next week. Board asked Stephanie to contact District 3 to see if they have the plans for when that culvert was installed. Andy added that Riverside Business Park culvert maybe next to go. Board members asked Stephanie to pull the plan for that subdivision as well.

Other updates Andy informed the Board include Windfall Rd has been fixed, Tallwood Drive drainage is creating sinkholes.

Andy added that he received a quote for crack sealing on Reservoir Rd, Board members would like to see the quote in writing.

Police Department

John Raffaely, Police Chief presented the changes he proposed to the Board for a noise ordinance, after discussion the Board agreed to take some time and revisit this at a later date.

Chief Raffaely informed the Board that he set up a PT Test on Saturday and that he sent out 15 letters and only had 2 responses.

Administration

Stephanie Giovannucci presented the Board with a guardrail agreement from the insurance company, Board member reviewed and agreed that some adjustments need to be made.

Board members reviewed the cash flow.

Suspense List:

Sel. Brown presented a Sidewalk plan that highlighted areas that need to be fixed.

Andy informed the Board that the fence is removed and they will install a 16 foot gate that locks.

Stephanie asked the Board about adding Colonial Life as a supplement package option to the employee's package, adding that this is a cost to the employees only, however it is a payroll deduction, and that it is optional. Board members agreed to offer it to the employees.

Stephanie presented the Board with an email from Sheena Duncan who would like to do a community garden out of hay bails at Surrence Park. Board members agreed to have Sheena present what she would like to do at a future meeting which should include who takes care of it, where to build it, etc.

Brown/Crowley moved to approve the minutes of April 23, 2019. **Motion Passed.**

Crowley/Haskins moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91A-3 II (e) at 8:26pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.** Also present Andy Buteau and Stephanie Giovannucci. **Brown/Crowley** moved to reconvene the public session at 9:21pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

Crowley/Haskins moved to seal the minutes of the non-public session because it could impact the reputation of someone not on the Board. **Motion Passed.**

There being no other business, meeting adjourned at 9:22pm

Minutes approved May 14, 2019