

**NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF May 11, 2010**

Present: Sel. Bluhm, Sel. Knowlton, Sel. Ziminsky

Also Present Ginny Timmons, Mike Murphy, Mike Summersett, Chief Adams, Glenn Smith.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

1. Highway Department

Mike discussed to replacement of saplings that had been inadvertently damaged during the Oak Hill Road project last year. Board members confirmed that the Town will replace these trees.

Sel. Ziminsky updated the Board and Mike on the purchase of a new radio for the new truck. Board members discussed the options for purchase of the radio and decided to buy the 8 channel radio for \$310.

Mike reported that 1,400 cars came through the transfer station during amnesty week.

2. Police Department

Chief Adams reported that he has received donations to cover the entire cost of the lease for a Police Department motorcycle for this year. The donations were made directly to Harley Davidson of Manchester. The Board discussed if the donations could be made the Town instead, however The Chief indicated that the checks were already received. There was discussion regarding if the Town could accept the donation and it was generally accepted that Harley Davidson of Manchester would be making the donation since the funds were provided directly to them and ultimately Harley Davidson of Manchester was donating the Motorcycle. There was also discussion on how the individuals proving the donation to Harley Davidson of Manchester would obtain any tax write off and it was agreed that would have to be worked out with Harley Davidson of Manchester and those making the donation. Adams also reported that the Town would still be responsible for minor expenses such as lettering. Board members discussed use of the motorcycle and told the Chief to bring to the next meeting a commitment as to the number of shifts on which the motorcycle will be used this year. Ziminsky indicated if the Chief could provide at minimum 40 shifts on the motorcycle then he would support it. Adams indicated he could easily provide that number of shifts and guaranteed it and would put that in a written report. There was a discussion on who was certified to drive the motorcycle and Adams said he and John were the only two. Adams indicated he would ride the motorcycle as often as he could. **Ziminsky/Knowlton** moved to accept use of the motorcycle for police use for a one year period provided the cost is covered by a donation. **Motion passed**

Chief updated the board on personnel issues.

Chief Adams presented a vacation request, which was approved by the Board.

3. Public Appointments

The Chair recognized Mike Murphy who is interested in being appointed as an as alternate member of the Planning Board. Mr. Murphy introduced himself and explained his interest in

working with the Planning Board. Sel. Knowlton discussed issues recently before the Board with Mr. Murphy. Mr. Murphy reviewed his opinions on these developments. **Knowlton/Ziminsky** moved to appoint Mike Murphy as an alternate member of the Planning Board. **Motion passed.**

4. Town Administration

Glenn reviewed the situation relating to a citizen's veteran's tax credit. We have recently discovered that the citizen's primary residence is in Florida; the Northfield residence is a secondary home and thus ineligible for the credit. Board members approved removing the credit.

Glenn reviewed tax lien letters and issues relating to collection of commercial solid waste in town. He also updated the Board on the status of construction of the Winnepesaukee River Trail Phase II, implementation of the new town website and scheduling meetings with the TNFD Fire Chief.

Ziminsky/Knowlton moved to review of the minutes of the meeting of April 27, 2010. **Motion passed.**

Ziminsky/Knowlton moved to enter into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A3II (a) and (c) at 7:45 pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.** Present at the non-public session were Chief Adams, Glenn Smith. **Ziminsky/Knowlton** moved to reconvene the public session at 9:15 pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

APPROVED BY THE SELECTBOARD AS MAY 25, 2010