

NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Minutes of the meeting of June 23,2015 6:00pm

Present: Sel. Waldron, Sel. Crowley, Sel. Southworth
Also Present: Scott Davis, Roland Seymour, Dick Stevens, Diane Cullen, Mike Witzgall Chief
Raffaelly, Johnny Van Tassel, Glenn Smith

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

1. Public Input

The Chair recognized Scott Davis who outlined the Tilton/Northfield Water District's application to DES requesting an upgrade of the wellhead protection for the district's wells off of Rt. 140. He asked the Selectmen to support the application. Board members discussed the proposal and its potential impact on development within the aquifer. They asked for additional information on the restrictions the new designation would place on landowners and the size of the impacted area.

2. Police Department

Chief Raffaelly presented invoices for sign language interpretation services recently required. Sel. Waldron said he has received positive feedback for a job well done by the Police Department in the Cottage Street area. He also asked for a status update on the implementation of Nixel, facebook and the Public Information Officer. Chief Raffaelly said that he is working on this.

3. Highway Department

Highway Superintendent Johnny Van Tassel reviewed a proposed WB Hill Road culvert replacement RFP with Board members in detail. Board members suggested several modifications. Discussion points included types of headwalls and endwalls, pitch and coverage, riprap and length of the job,

Sel. Southworth asked for an update on the status of a cross road culvert that was to have been replaced last year. Johnny replied that he has scoped out the work required and has it scheduled for later this summer. Board members discussed the project.

Sel. Southworth noted that when Rand Road was repaved the northern leg of the 'Y' at the Knowles Pond Road intersection was narrowed to the point that vehicles turning onto Rand Road need to go onto the gravel. Board members reviewed the situation with Johnny and members of the public. It was agreed that the 'island' at this intersection will be paved in by R&D, with the town doing the prep work.

Sel. Southworth noted that the end of Peverley Road by Rt. 132 was in poor shape, he had been told by a citizen that it is hazardous for motorcycles and suggested it be grader shimmed. Johnny responded that fixing these and other spots is scheduled for later this year but he would rather cut out the bad parts and install drainage and base as needed than do a grader shim. Sel. Waldron stated that he did not think this area is a threat to motorcycle riders. He also said that Peverley Road between addresses 296 and 308 is in poor shape.

Johnny reported that he is preparing for Old Home Day and that paving of Reservoir Road will start on

June 29-30. Sel. Southworth asked if Johnny would be present during paving; Johnny said he would.

Sel. Southworth asked if the roadside mowing had been started. Johnny replied that he feels this should be done in the fall. Sel. Southworth also noted that when he was at the Transfer Station on Saturday the burn pile was still smoldering; he advised Johnny to have the workers do a better job of extinguishing the burn pile fires.

Sel. Waldron inquired as to the status of the Peterbilt truck and was told that it was still in for repairs and that it now has exhaust problems and a sticking brake pedal. Sel. Waldron stated that we do not need truck 4. The other board members disagreed, but all agreed that the town does not need the 10 wheeler.

Sel. Waldron noted that he has witnessed town trucks heading to the Reservoir Road prep work job at 9:30-10:00 and asked if that is when the crew starts its work day. Johnny replied that it was not, that the crew often works on other jobs before heading to Reservoir Road.

Sel. Waldron noted that he has seen a used leaf vac for sale in Tilton, and that he had earlier been told that used units were not available.

4. Administration

Board members reviewed a draft RFP for town hall siding and door replacement. Sel. Waldron believes that windows may also need to be replaced.

Waldron/Crowley moved to accept the donation from Allison Hartwell of a pet waste station for Island Park. **Motion passed**

Town Administrator Glenn Smith updated the Board on the status of the Rt. 140 fire.

5. General Business

Board members reviewed accounts payable, payroll manifests and general correspondence. **Waldron/Crowley** moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 9, 2015. **Motion passed.**

6. Non-public session

Waldron/Crowley moved to enter into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A3II a, b, c at 8:31pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.** Present at the non-public session were Johnny Van Tassel, Chief Raffaely and Glenn Smith. **Waldron/Crowley** moved to reconvene the public session at 10:08pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

Waldron/Crowley moved to seal the minutes of the non-public session as divulgence of the minutes would adversely affect the reputation of a person not a member of the Board. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 10:09pm.

APPROVED BY THE NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON JULY 7, 2015