

NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Minutes of the meeting of August 4, 2016

Present: Sel. Crowley, Sel. Southworth, Sel. Allen
Also Present: Glenn Smith, Chief Raffaely, Andy Buteau

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm

1. Police Department

Chief Raffaely distributed quotes for a replacement front door for the police station, which board members reviewed. Board members asked that the Chief approach DGD Builders to determine if his proposed price would be lowered by bidding a fiberglass door. **Crowley/Southworth** moved to accept the proposal of Handyman Extraordinaire in the amount of \$1500 unless the second vendor can come in with a lower price. **Motion passed.**

Chief Raffaely inquired as to when the cable at Knowles Pond will be taken down. Glenn responded that Dylan McGuffin has been contacted to take it down but that we don't have a specific date yet. He also reported that people have been camping at the Pond conservation area

Sel. Allen inquired as of the status of cruiser. Chief Raffaely responded that there is no new information.

2. Highway Department

Public Works Director Andy Buteau would like to shim Cofran Ave., Howard Ave., Greenwood Drive. Board members agreed but asked that he coordinate with the water and sewer districts and the Police Department.

Andy informed the Board that he would like to delay grading the gravel roads until September as the year has been so dry that it will lead to excess dust if it is done now. He also reported that he is investigating prices for a sicklebar mower; it may be quicker and cheaper. Sel. Southworth reported that when he costed this out he found it would cost more than \$4,000 to rent a mower to complete all roadside mowing, not counting supplies.

Sel. Crowley reported a complaint about dead trees at Pines Park. Andy said he will obtain quotes for this.

Andy updated board on services for Tom Wooten.

Sel. Crowley informed the Board that the state is repairing Sandogardy Pond Road. He believe this is a waste of state money as the road will be reconstructed in a few years. Board members discussed the situation. Sel. Crowley agreed to call Senator Hosmer to ask that the repair project be halted.

Sel. Allen asked when Albright was going to clean the garage. Andy reported that this work will start next week. He also reported that he will be ordering culverts for the Bay Hill project and general use.

3. Administration

Town Administrator Glenn Smith informed the Board that the Administrative Assistant has resigned to accept another position. He will advertise this vacancy.

Sel. Crowley updated the Board on the status of the Cross Mill Village property. Glenn informed the Board that the property may be repurchased

Sel. Southworth presented a proposed yard sale ordinance, which Board members reviewed. Discussion points included whether to require a permit for such sales, differentiating between yard sales and on-going outdoor flea markets, parking and the mechanics of enforcing an ordinance. Board members discussed the current permanent yard sale on Rt. 132, which lacks off street parking. After discussion the Board decided to put consideration of this ordinance on hold.

Chief Raffaelli reported that National Night Out went well.

Crowley/Allen moved to enter into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A3II b at 6:06pm.

Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote. Also Present: Andy Buteau, Glenn Smith.

Crowley/Southworth moved to reconvene the public session at 7:13 pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

Crowley/Southworth moved to seal the minutes of the non-public session just completed 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.**

Board members reviewed general correspondence and payroll and accounts payable manifests.

4. General Business

Board members reviewed accounts payable, payroll manifests and general correspondence and set the next meeting date for 5:00pm on Thursday, August 18th

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

Approved by the Northfield Selectboard on August 18, 2016