

NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Minutes of the Meeting of August 8, 2018

Present: Sel. Crowley, Sel. Brown, Sel. Haskins
Also Present: Jason Durgin, Chief Raffaely, Andy Buteau, Glenn Smith,

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm

1. General Business

Board members reviewed accounts payable, payroll manifests and general correspondence. **Brown/Crowley** moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 24, 2018. **Motion passed.** Board members reviewed the suspense item list.

2. Non-Public Session RSA 91A-3 II (b)

Crowley/Brown moved to enter into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A3II c at 5:15pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.** Also Present: Chief Raffaely, Andy Buteau, Glenn Smith. **Crowley/ Brown** moved to reconvene the public session at 5:48pm. **Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

Crowley/Brown moved to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session as divulgence would adversely affect the reputation of a person not a member of the Board. **Motion passed.**

3. Public Works Department

Sel. Crowley noted that there are several dead trees at Pines Park. Board members discussed the status of the trees and decided to call an arborist to evaluate the health of the trees.

Public Works Director Andy Buteau noted that Pete Fife has resigned and that the Board has hired his replacement. Andy received authorization from the Board to dispose of the shed left on the Couture property.

Sel. Haskins inquired as to the status of repair of potholes in the Pines parking lot. Andy responded that he will get to it but he has been shorthanded.

Sel. Crowley noted that the Cross Brook bridge on Sandogardy Pond Road is scheduled to be closed starting August 13th for bridge replacement, pending delivery of needed material. Also, Hiltz plans on paving Sandogardy Pond Road between Rt. 132 and Union Road by the end of August.

Board members reviewed the status of paving projects with Andy.

Sel. Haskins inquired as to the status of the letter that Andy was to send to residents concerning driveway culverts and other issues. Andy reported that he is still working on it.

4. Police Department

Chief Raffaely reported that he wishes to purchase 2 cell phones, one to be carried in the command cruiser to accommodate the Lethality Assessment Program and one for the Detective position. Board members approved the request.

Chief Raffaely updated the Board on the status of the investigation into the home invasion reported last week and on the status of building repair needs. He also reported that Laconia PD is interested in giving Northfield their surplus Hummer. He would like to take it for use as a DARE vehicle and for use in harsh weather conditions. Sel. Brown said that he did not object to accepting this gift.

5. Administration

Town Administrator Glenn Smith informed the Board that a resident has requested a streetlight at the intersection of Bay Hill Road and Caveney Drive, citing safety concerns. Board members discussed the matter and asked Chief Raffaely to investigate.

Glenn provided a recommended schedule for sale of the property recently acquired by tax deed. Board members instructed him to visit the former owner's home in Bedford to inform the person of the potential sale.

Board members reviewed a proposed ordinance regulating raffles.

Glenn presented a proposed agreement with Lakes Region Planning Commission for circuit rider services to assist the Planning Board with application review. Board members authorized execution of the agreement.

Glenn updated the Board on an invoicing issue, reported that a resident had complained about standing water in the sidewalk on Elm Street and discussed trash collection issues

The next meeting was set for 5:00pm on August 21st.

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

APPROVED BY THE NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON AUGUST 21, 2018