## Northfield Town Hall Location

## TOWN GOVERNANCE STUDY COMMITTEE April 11, 2019 Date

7:00 PM Time

## **Meeting Minutes**

Members Present:

Brian Brault, Barbara "Bee" Jacque (Clerk), Robert MacEwen, Tammy Pelletier

(Chair), Bernie Porada, Emily Stevens (Vice Chair), Jeremy Underwood

Others Present:

None

Meeting called to order by Pelletier at 7:03 PM

- 1. Public Comment: none
- 2. On a motion by Pelletier, seconded by Porada, voted to approve March 20 minutes as amended (corrected "Members Present"). Stevens abstained.
- 3. Old Business:
  - · Porada reviewed warrant process recommended by Town Counsel: vote at 2019 Town Meeting to put Selectboard increase on 2020 Annual Election. If approved by voters and then legislature, additional Selectboard candidates would be on 2021 ballot. In addition, Selectmen wording will be changed to Selectboard.
  - Underwood reported on process used by 3 towns (Cheshire, Dalton, & Hadley).
  - Jacque reported on information from Rep. Marks' aide he sees no issue with getting legislative approval for 2021 timeframe. Jacque will continue follow-up on legislative process.
  - MacEwen will update Town Moderator.
- New Business:
  - Committee reviewed the Final Report draft and suggested edits & clarifications.
- Meeting time/schedule:
  - Thursday, April 18 @ 7:30 PM Wrap up Committee business & Review Final Report
- 6. On a motion by Jacque, seconded by Brault, voted to adjourn @ 8:34 PM.

Recorded by Barbara L. Jacque, Clerk