

Selectboard present: Jack Spanbauer, Chair; Jed Proujansky; Tracy Rogers

Also present: Brian S. Noble, Town Administrator; Sandra L. Wood, Town Secretary; Tyler Bourbeau, BNCTV

Others present: Jay Rasku, Mt. Grace; Chief Leighton; Tom Walker, Superintendent of Streets & Building Maintenance; Chief Dunnell

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

- **Review and Approval of Warrants**
 - On a motion by Rogers, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the 1/13/15 Payroll warrant of \$28,510.23**
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the 1/13/15 Vendor warrant \$55,241.06**
 - On a motion by Rogers, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the 1/20/15 Payroll warrant \$18,346.51**
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the 1/20/15 Vendor warrant \$40,273.28**
- **Review and Approval of Minutes**
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the 01/06/15 CDS Hearing as written**
 - On a motion by Rogers, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the 01/06/15 Regular meeting as written**
- **Summary of Interim Selectboard Meetings**
 - 01/12/15 Finance Committee
- **Summary of meetings attended by Selectboard members**
 - Spanbauer: Zoning Study Committee
 - Proujansky: School negotiations meeting
- **Old Business**
 - Mount Grace RE: Ames property purchase and sale agreement
 - Jay Rasku addressed questions from Noble and the Selectboard in regards to signing the land grant and the purchase and sale agreement.
 - The Selectboard will not sign without the available funds.
 - The town will have the right to not move forward without the funds
 - The Selectboard requested Mt. Grace provide a memo with clarification and a spreadsheet including information for town commitments. Rasku agreed.
 - In the purchase and sale agreement the easement to construct is in the conservation restriction
 - In the revised purchase and sale agreement, Mt. Grace expects to have the funding by May/June. If they don't, the project will not continue
 - Town legal counsel requests a "Hold Harmless" statement included.
 - Rasku needs the land grant contract acted on before the purchase and sale agreement
 - Mt. Grace will coordinate with Noble and legal counsel on land titles, etc.
 - Written request from Julia Blyth of the North Quabbin Pipeline Action group to submit letter of concern to FERC.
 - Noble working on a draft and updated the previous resolution letter sent to FERC to include case #.
 - Community Park Committee membership
 - The MasterPlan Implementation Committee has been dissolved. The Community Park Committee will now be a stand-alone committee
 - The Open Space Committee and Recreation Commission wanted to limit the number of members. The Selectboard feels strongly that membership for the Community Park Committee not be limited and urges many to participate.
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to establish the Community Park Committee as a stand-alone committee without a member limit.**
 - Annual report to the ABCC
 - Fees to be reviewed at a later date
 - Signing of the fire truck contract

- A partial payment of \$218,326.00 will be made with the remainder due on delivery.
- On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the contract with Pierce for purchase of the fire truck for \$449,886.00**
- **New Business**
 - Disclosure of Appearance of Conflict of Interest RE: Jerry Wagener
 - Wagener submitted the conflict of interest disclosure to the Selectboard because of his membership on the Open Space Committee and Mt. Grace organization.
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to acknowledge the statement disclosure for the conflict of interest by Jerry Wagener and accept this action plan to separate himself from any decision making that might put him in conflict with Mt. Grace.**
 - Adoption of revised plumbing & gas fees
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers, **the board VOTED unanimously to accept the proposed new rates for new plumbing and gas fees.**
 - Adoption of standard mileage rate for 2015 at 57.5 cents.
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to adopt the mileage rate for 2015 at 57.5 cents per mile.**
 - Budget Review
 - Police
 - Chief Leighton would like to expand the DARE program to include all elementary school grades and expand drug awareness at PVRs
 - There is a reduction in the operating budget in salaries & wages.
 - The capital requests include: reimbursement of Officer Komerzan's training by 2018; replacing a cruiser in 2018 and another in 2019
 - The Selectboard included their thanks along with two letters received for the work done by the police department over the weekend. Several events occurred requiring response from the department.
 - Fire
 - Chief Dunnell reviewed the operating expenses and capital requests
 - Capital expenses included: one-time fee for SCBA training and certification; Engine One body repair; overhead door repair.
 - The inspection of the wetlands behind the fire station by the Conservation Commission will be delayed due to snow.
 - Highway
 - Review of operating budget
 - Capital items include: replacing the garage roof and doors; acquiring a small truck for medium duty; generator
 - Open Warrant February 1, 2015 for May 4, 2015 ATM. Close the warrant March 2, 2015.
- **Topics not reasonably anticipated by the chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting**
 - Elevator repair
 - The elevator failed the last inspection due to water and rust in the pit. Must be fixed within 90 days.
 - Request for emergency transfer of fund submitted to the Finance Committee
 - Request to give Noble authorization to proceed. Agreed
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to authorize Brian Noble to proceed with implementation of the elevator repair.**
 - Chapter 90 request revision
 - For purchase of a trailer. Funds in Chapter 90 are short \$500.
 - On a motion by Spanbauer, seconded by Rogers **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the request for Chapter 90 funds to purchase a trailer at \$7,000.**
- **Correspondence:**
 - Kinder Morgan Open House Schedule
 - Governor Baker: Chapter 90 funds for FY2015
 - Copied Letter to Trust for Public Land RE: grant award
 - Radebaugh and Wright: police coverage over weekend of 1/17/15
 - Request from FRCOG for representative of a Pipeline Advisory; first meeting scheduled for 2/2

- Noble and Rogers appointed as representatives
- On a motion by Spanbauer, seconded by Proujansky the board **VOTED unanimously to appoint Brian Noble and Tracy Rogers to represent Northfield on the FRCOG Pipeline Advisory Committee**

• **Appointments:**

- On a motion by Spanbauer, seconded by Proujansky the board **VOTED unanimously to appoint: David Adams; Ben Briggs; Jason Brooks; Patrick Brunette; Kevin Connolly; Amanda Dunnell; Floyd Dunnell, Chief; Richard Fitzgerald; Mark Fortier; Fredd Fuller; Jeff Grover, 3rd Lieutenant; Thomas Holton, Captain; Rob Hunter, 2nd Lieutenant; Chris Kalinowski; Steve Malsch; Scott Milton; Don Morin; Tom Newton; John Otto; David Quinn, Asst. Chief; Michael Quinn, 1st Lieutenant; Rory Shippa; Pat Spedding; John Ware; James Wright; Matt Shippa and Samantha Browning to the Fire Dept.;** term expires 1/31/16
- EMD Dept.-tabled
- On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers the board **VOTED unanimously to appoint Robin Conley and Cynthia Mead to the Community Park Committee: term expires 6/30/ 2017**

• **Request for Use:**

- **On a motion by Rogers, seconded by Proujansky the board VOTED unanimously to approve the request from Emily Koester for Transition Northfield to use the Elementary School Gymnasium and Cafeteria March 22, 2015 from 12pm-4pm.** Approved by Principal King.

• **Request for One-Day Temporary Liquor License:**

- **On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers the board VOTED unanimously to approve the request from Louis Guillette of Northfield Kiwanis for one-day temporary liquor license on 2/2, 2/9, 2/23/15; from 5pm-8pm; Town Hall dining room.**

• **Board and Committee Meetings/Announcements**

Date	Activity	Time	Place
1/21/15	Conservation Commission	7:30pm	Town Hall
1/22/15	Board of Health	5:15pm	Town Hall
1/26/15	Finance Committee	7:00 pm	Town Hall
1/29/15	Community Preservation Committee	7:00 pm	Town Hall
2/2/15	Finance Committee	7:00 pm	Town Hall
2/3/15	Library Trustees	6:00 pm	Dickinson Library
2/3/15	Selectboard	7:00 pm	Town Hall

- A number of committees and boards have openings. A list is available for viewing on the Current Openings page of www.northfield.ma.us and on the Town Hall posting board.
- Announcements:
 - Meeting of the North Quabbin Pipeline Action group at the Erving Senior Center Jan. 22 at 7pm RE: Documentary on gas pipeline compressor stations
 - The street census is in the mail. If you do not receive one please contact Town Clerk Dan Campbell.
On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Rogers the board VOTED to adjourn at 8:50pm.

Recorded by Sandra L. Wood, Secretary

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Selectboard Clerk Date Approved